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Curriculum Newsletter for Parents
Year 5 Class teachers – Miss Bishop and Mr Sullivan

Dear Parent,

Your child will be working on the following curriculum during this half term. Please feel free to talk to the Class Teacher about any area of this curriculum.

Mathematics

As part of the National Curriculum in England, the Year 5 students will be embarking on an exciting journey into the world of fractions. This is an essential aspect of their mathematical understanding and will greatly contribute to their overall numeracy skills.

One specific skill we will be focusing on is the conversion of improper fractions to mixed numbers. This mathematical operation will enable our students to understand and work with a wide range of fractions more effectively. It lays a solid foundation for future learning in areas such as algebra, ratio, and proportion.

To support your child's learning outside the classroom, we highly recommend accessing the online learning platform Doodle. This engaging resource provides interactive exercises, games, and activities specifically designed to reinforce and consolidate mathematical concepts. In particular, Doodle offers a comprehensive set of resources to practice and master converting improper fractions to mixed numbers.

To ensure that your child is making the most of this valuable online tool, we kindly request your assistance in encouraging them to engage with Doodle for regular practice. This will greatly benefit their understanding and confidence in the topic of fractions and conversion.

English

This half term we will study 'King Kong', by Anthony Browne. Children will build on reading skills such as making predictions, drawing inferences, and summarizing. There will also be a mixture of drama and writing opportunities - including descriptive writing, narrative writing, and poem writing. Children will explore how to write a balanced argument and a dilemma narrative.

Computing

Children will be using coding software to design and create games.

Science

This half term we will be learning how materials can change into different forms to create solutions. The children will be separating materials using equipment and studying what is dissolvable.

<p style="text-align: center;">P.E</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Golf Netball Basketball Athletics</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Music</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Weekly clarinet lessons and Charanga</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Clarinet lessons will take place on a Thursday.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PSHE:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Relationships: Children will learn who they are in terms of their characteristics and personal qualities. They will understand belonging to an online community can have positive and negative consequences.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">History</p> <p>Let's travel back in time to meet the terrifying Tudors. During this half term, we'll meet a very important figure from history – King Henry VIII. We will look at a range of source-based evidence from and about the past and recognise that a lot of it was propaganda. We'll use primary and secondary sources to form opinions about King Henry VIII, and give reasons for the defeat of the Spanish Armada. We'll also discover what daily life was like over 500 years ago!</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Art/DT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This term, we will be drawing portraits from observation and using different mediums to create tone in our artworks.</p>