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Curriculum Newsletter for Parents

Year 5 Class teachers – Miss Bishop and Mrs Poi

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 measurement and 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 Mathletics. This engaging resource provides interactive exercises, games, and activities specifically designed to reinforce and consolidate mathematical concepts. In particular, Mathletics 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 Mathletics 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 'Macbeth', the work of significant playwright – William Shakespeare. 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, letter writing and newspaper article writing. Children will explore complex relationships in a play and investigate in depth characterisation, as well as narrative features of the work of William Shakespeare.	
Computing Children will be using coding software to design and create games.		Science This half term we will be learning about "animals" including humans, the human life cycle, the growth of babies, puberty and changes in old age.	
P.E Golf Netball	Music Weekly clarinet lessons and Charanga	PSHE: Relationships: Children will learn who they are	

	Clarinet lessons will take place on a Thursday.	in terms of their characteristics and personal qualities. They will understand belonging to an online community can have positive and negative consequences.
<p>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>Art/DT</p> <p>This term, we will be drawing portraits from observation and using different mediums to create tone in our artworks.</p> <p>We will be exploring food technology in DT.</p>