

Bassetts Farm Primary School

Year 5 – Spring Term 2018 (First Half)

Dear Parents / Carers,

We hope that you had a relaxing holiday. This half term our Learning Journey is 'Food Glorious Food'. Here is an overview of our learning.

Dates	Character Strengths	We will be learning about:
2/1/18 	Thankfulness	<p>This term we will begin by reflecting on our holiday and thinking about our new year's resolutions. The children in year 5 will enjoy a food tasting session on Friday afternoon, linked to our learning journey (the school will supply the food).</p> <p>In English, the children will look at a story from another culture. The children will look at the story's structure and language features. Our maths focus this week is geometry.</p> <p>Reminder: children will have OWL on Thursday 4th January</p>
8/1/18 	Thankfulness	<p>This week, the children will begin their geography unit for the term, with the key question: Why is fair trade fair? The research questions linked to fair trade this week are: 'Why was the silk road so important two thousand years ago?' and 'Why does Marco Polo visit the United Kingdom every eleven weeks?'</p> <p>Our maths focus for the next few weeks will be linked to fractions. In English, the children adapt the class story from another culture to create their own version, thinking about their writing targets.</p>
15/1/18 	Thankfulness	<p>Continuing the geography key question: 'Why is fair trade fair?' the children will look this week at importing and exporting linked to the focus question: 'What does the United Kingdom export to the people of China?'</p> <p>In English, the children will begin to look at Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, reading and responding to the text.</p> <p>Reminder: children will have OWL on Thursday 18th January</p>
22/1/18 	Wisdom	<p>This week, the children will continue the geography key question: Why is fair trade fair? The focus will be a case study on the impact of unfair trade on individuals with the question: 'Why isn't trade always fair for some people such as Melvin?'</p> <p>In English, the children will develop their understanding of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, with a focus on the language and structure of the story.</p>
29/1/18 	Wisdom	<p>This week, the children will conclude their geography learning and reflect on what they have learned about fair trade this term.</p> <p>In English, the children will write their own narrative piece using Roald Dahl's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory to structure their writing.</p> <p>Reminder: children will have OWL on Thursday 1st February</p>

<p>5/2/18</p> 	<p>Gratitude</p>	<p>This week, the children will learn about Chinese New Year. They will study different aspects of China including its geography, history and customs. In English, the children will write a persuasive piece linked to fair trade and their geography learning.</p>
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Year five Home Learning - Please present neatly with joined handwriting.

Subject	Goes out	Due in	Frequency
English	Wednesday	Tuesday	Weekly
Maths	Wednesday	Tuesday	Weekly
Spellings	Wednesday	Tuesday	Weekly
Times tables	Wednesday	Tuesday	Weekly
Reading	Please read daily and update your reading record with your page number.		

Reminders	
Reading for Pleasure 	The children will enjoy a class story read by the class teacher in school.
Snack money 	Snack money - please pay for this by cheque only and for a whole half term. We have shown the amount due for each half term, you can pay for just the first half term or all if you would like. Jan 2nd - Feb 9th £8.70 Feb 19th - Mar 29th £8.70. Please make cheques payable to DCC.
Lunch 	Please see the school menu and packed lunch policy on the school website.
Uniform 	Please ensure that all items are labelled with your child's name. School shoes should be plain black Long hair should be tied back, using small white, black or blue bands.
PE kit 	T-shirt, shorts, tracksuit bottoms, trainers and socks needed. In year five, PE is Tuesday and Thursday.
Drinks 	We recommend that your child brings a named bottle of water to school every day.
Each morning, a member of staff will greet your child at the door. Please pass on any messages to them, or write us a note. We will supervise the collection of your children each afternoon. If you need to arrange for another person to collect your child, or are happy for them to walk home themselves, please let us know in advance or telephone the school on 01395 275968.	

Here are some dates for your calendar:

Monday 5th February - Happy Hour

Teaching assistants:

The teaching assistants working with Year 5 are:

5A - Mrs Field, Mrs Carpenter, Mrs Eveleigh

5EH - Mrs Dean

Yours sincerely,

Mr Arkle, Mrs Hughes and Mrs Eidam