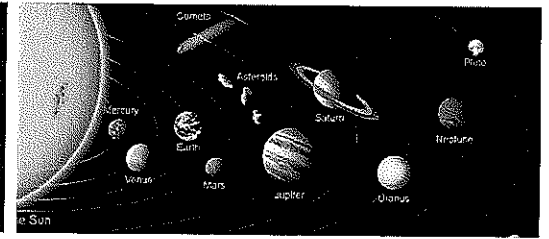


# Year 5 Autumn Newsletter



Welcome to Year 5. We hope you had a fantastic summer and are ready for the new academic year. One of the most exciting things about Year 5 is that our new classroom is upstairs which is great because we now have lockers! Moving upstairs signifies that we are now one of the eldest year groups within the school and that carries a great deal of responsibility; the children realise that they are now role models to the younger years in school. I am pleased to say that the children have started the new term with enthusiasm for their topic of Space! I am so excited about teaching this class and we have some exciting activities planned, please do not hesitate to come and speak to me if you have any queries about Year 5.

Kind Regards, Miss Smith

## Writing

To begin with we will be designing an imaginary world. We will be **describing the setting** of the world and creating a **character** to live there.

Using this, we will be writing our own **story** of the adventures of our character in their world.

In addition to our story writing, we will be writing our own **persuasive letter**.

## British Values Week

During the first week of term, Year 5 have learnt about **British Values**. We have looked at the core British values such as democracy, rule of law, individual liberty, and respect and tolerance. We have also learnt about the rights of child, such as the right to privacy and protection from violence and danger. During the week we made some fantastic British themed art work!

## Numeracy

In numeracy we will begin the year by learning about place value of larger numbers, including reading and writing numbers up to one million! We will learn how to round numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000, 10,000 and 100,000. We will also learn to count from positive numbers, down through zero to negative numbers. Finally, we will learn how to read roman numerals!

## History and Geography

In history we will be researching the people who have been to the moon and comparing the events on a timeline. We will be discussing the importance of these events.

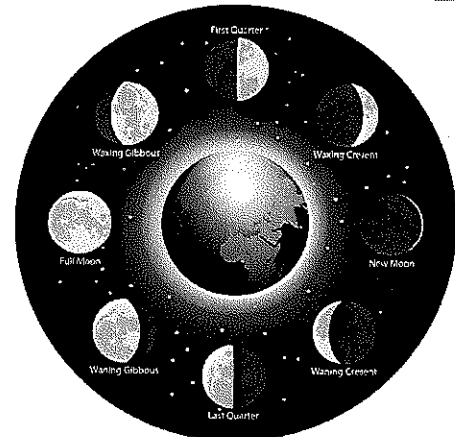
In Geography the children will be learning about how the moon phases affect the tides on Earth.

## Science

Our science this term will link to our topic of Space. We will be exploring the **phases of the moon**, as well as learning about the **planets** in our solar system and the properties of the Earth, sun and moon!

## PE

We will have PE every Monday and Tuesday afternoon this term. On Monday, we will be focussing on fitness. On Wednesday we will be learning football skills with our PE coach in order to be able to play matches.



## Art and Design Technology

In art we will look at the artist **Peter Thorpe** and his Space art, before creating our own piece in his style.

In DT we will be looking at **rocket designs** in order to plan and build our own rocket so that we can then launch! We will then evaluate our design.

## RE and PSHE

Our focus in RE this term is creation. We will be learning about how the story of creation is told in the Bible, compared to scientific evidence. We will also learn that many scientists are also Christians.

In PSHE we will be discussing our rights to an opinion and learning about stereotypes. We will also be learning about ours and other people's emotions and how we can deal with them.