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Year 5 Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and wish you a very happy new year! We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your very kind and generous gifts at Christmas. We were overwhelmed by your generosity.

The spring term is another busy time with lots of new learning. Learning log tasks will continue this term with some tasks given out on a Friday. These tasks are either consolidation of learning from school where your child can show you what they have learnt by explaining it to you: or a task which will enhance their future learning in school like background fact finding. They always enjoy sharing their findings or work with their peers to inspire our learning in class. It is great to see how they all vary in presentation and interpretation.

The children must continue to read regularly at home and it is still very important to discuss the plot, events, vocabulary and punctuation, which will in turn help to improve both your child's comprehension of reading and their writing skills. It will help them to understand other authors' techniques and widen their own repertoire of writing skills.

Also our recall of our times tables needs to be more rapid to enable full engagement in the Y5 maths curriculum so I have set some target tables on tt rockstars for the children to practice, however this needs to be done every day for 10-20 mins, in order for it to make an impact in their recall. Regularly, I analyse these to see their speed of recall for each set of times tables. Please encourage your child to access this daily.

Below you will find some of the topics year 5 will cover this Spring Term:

Literacy:

- Pandora and Prometheus (Greek myth)
- Theseus and the Minotaur
- Persuasive writing
- Uplevelling punctuation ! ? () ... - ' '
- Use of a variety of conjunctions, pronouns and determiners (cohesive devices)
- Relative clauses (continued)





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Mathematics:

- Multiplication - written method up to 3 digit x 2 digit
- Division - written method by a single digit with and without remainders
- Fractions - mixed numbers and improper fraction
- Equivalent fractions - adding and subtracting fractions
- Fraction, decimal and percentage equivalents
- Statistics - draw and interpret line graphs
- Recognise and round decimals up to thousandths

Science:

- Living things and their environments

History:

- Ancient Greek civilisation - The great, the bold and the brave

R.E.:

- Inspirational People

P.E.:

- Invasion games (tag rugby so outdoor kit is needed on Thursdays)
- Theseus and the Minotaur Dance (Indoor kit needed on Wednesdays)

Art:

- Greek vase paintings
- Jewellery
- Mythical creatures

Music:

- Young Voices
- Rhythm

I.T:

- Practising using publisher, word, powerpoint, etc for presentation



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The children will also continue to study Spanish this term on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs Czerwik.

Please can you continue to use the diary as line of communication, encouraging your child to be more independent by bringing these to our attention, otherwise we might not see any notes or comments.

If you have any concerns or wish to discuss your child's progress, please note it in their school diary or feel free to come in for a chat. Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs I. M. Lunn