



Year 5 Spring 2 Newsletter 2020

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term. The children have settled back into routines quickly and have been a real credit to the school during the move and settled in well to a new school environment.

We again have lots to look forward to this half term as we continue finding out about Mayan civilisation supported by a visit from a Cambridge museum.

World Book Day

This will be taking place on Thursday 5th March and the children are encouraged to come into school dressed as their favourite book character.

Science Week

During week beginning 9th March the children will be exploring the environment through a range of science experiments.

P.E and Games

Please could you continue to ensure your child has their PE kit each week. The weather is still not good so they will need to have warm clothing as PE and Games will still be taking place outside each week.

Home Learning

Please continue to read 3 times a with your child and record in their reading journal as these are checked weekly. The children are able to access Accelerated Reader through the Falcon website in order to complete quizzes on books they are reading at home. You will find the link under the 'children' section on the school site.

Volunteers

We would also be very grateful to anyone who is able to come in to school and listen to children read. If you are able to help, even if it's for just an hour in an afternoon, please see your child's class teacher. In line with our safe-guarding procedures, all volunteers will need to complete a DBS (Disclosure and Barring System Check) and we welcome parents who feel they have the time to help in school to complete the check with us at the school office.

The Year 5 Team

Year 5 Curriculum - Spring 2nd Half Term

| | The children will be learning... |
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| Topic | Mayan civilisation. Maya food, creation story and the fall of the Maya |
| Literacy | Instructions. Performance Poetry. El Caminante. |
| Numeracy | Geometry, calculating with fractions, measures—area, volume, length, mass and capacity and 2D and 3D shape. |
| Science | Properties and changes of materials. Science week - the environment. |
| Computing | Online safety - reporting online concerns and understanding the impact of technology on healthy sleep. Internet searches. |
| R.E. | Sikhism - creation story. |
| P.E. | P.E. - Circuits Games - Rugby, football, basketball and hockey. |
| Music | Evaluating and appreciating music and singing performance skills using 'Dancing in the Street'. |
| Art and DT | Mayan Masks - designing, colour blending and painting. Artist research. Food - making tortillas. |
| French | Counting to 60. Give and understand commands. Naming French cities. Give and understand basic instructions. |
| PSHE | PATHs - Friendships. |

Spring Term Key dates

5th March - World Book Day
 W/C 9th March - Science Week
 12th March - Mayan Day
 19th March - Parents' Evening
 24th March - Parents' Evening
 31st March - Poetry Day
 1st April - End of Term
 20th April - Return to School