

YEAR 5 GAZETTE

Spring Term January 2018

FREE TO ALL YEAR 5 PUPILS

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you have all enjoyed the Christmas break. This newsletter will inform you of what your child will be learning this term. We are thoroughly enjoying teaching your children and look forward to many more exciting adventures within this term. If you have any concerns please be assured you can speak to us at anytime after school or by contacting the school office on 01670 353124. Thank you, Mr Beavers and Mrs Callan

Homework

Homework tasks and spellings should be completed weekly. Raffle tickets will be awarded for each piece of homework completed on time. Literacy homework and spellings will be given out on a Monday and should be returned by the following Monday. Numeracy homework will be given out on a Friday and returned the following Friday.

LITERACY

This term, we will continue to look at a variety of texts as part of our literacy lessons. Our main text study will be based on 'Stay where you are and then leave' by John Boyne which links perfectly to our WW1 topic.



Topic:

World War I

We will be studying many aspects this historical event next half term and all pupils are expected to produce a homework project based on this area of learning. The date for projects to be in school is Friday 23rd March 2018. After the success of our last project share afternoon, we would like to invite parents and carers to join us again (further information will be sent nearer the time).



Computing

This term we will create programs that implement algorithms to develop our own chat-bots! By declaring and assigning variables we will make our coding more complex and use sequence of selection statements in programs, including an if, then and else statement.



Science

We will be having a focus on materials and their properties during this term. This will include looking at how materials can change (reversible and irreversible). This will provide us with some excellent opportunities to set up our own scientific enquiries.



Numeracy

This term we will be focussing on written methods for multiplication and division as well as fractions, decimals and percentages.

Many mathematical concepts rely upon knowledge of times tables. It is really important to help your child learn these. By the end of Year 5 children should know the multiplication and corresponding division facts for all numbers to 12. Please encourage them to practise regularly. The bbc website is good...give it a try!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/number/multiplication/play/>
Remember! Mathematics is also a fun way to practise

Maths at home. All children have their own log-in details.



An exciting opportunity in PE!

This half term we are lucky enough to have a professional soccer skills coach working with year 5 -woohoo!

PE KIT

Could you please remember to provide your children with a P.E kit every Thursday. This should consist of dark coloured shorts or jogging bottoms and a plain, red t-shirt. **We will be outdoors** and children therefore need **suitable, warm clothing**. Remember - children can wear PE kit all day on their set PE day!

READING is IMPORTANT

We also ask you to encourage your children to read independently as well as to an adult. The expectation in Year 5 is that the children will read at least 5 times each week, which should be recorded each week in the spaces in their Homework Diaries and initialled by an adult. Diaries should be handed in every Monday!