

Homework and Spellings: There will be two pieces of homework set each week. Our Numeracy and Learning Log homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on a Wednesday. Occasionally, we may give out a piece of homework that lasts for a longer period, such as a mini-project. Spelling lists will also be sent home at the beginning of a half term and are to be practised each week. It is important that you take the time to learn the spellings as it will impact on your English work. In addition to this, you will also have access to Times Tables Rockstars, which you can continue to use at home on a weekly basis.

Reading: As always, reading is the cornerstone of all learning, so we recommend that you read at home as much as possible (on your own or to an adult) and aim to change your book regularly. You will have access to our class's extensive range of fiction, poetry, plays, non fiction books, magazines and newspapers as well as fantastic sets of group readers if you want to read the same book as your friend. In class we will undertake guided reading, quiet reading, shared reading, reading for pleasure and develop your comprehension skills fully each week. We will also have an on-going class story! So, let's get ready for a fantastic year ahead! I'm so excited to be your teacher again, and can't wait to get started.

Mrs Harland and Mrs Baldwin

Things to remember at a glance.:

PE kits (black shorts/white t-shirt/trainers or pumps/tracksuit for colder weather)-**TUESDAY**

Swimming stuff-**WEDNESDAY**

Reading books-**EVERYDAY**

Water bottles-**EVERYDAY**

Homework-**WEDNESDAY**



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Learning Leaflet

Year 5

Autumn 2020



Welcome back to your first term as Year 5: I know it won't quite be school as you remember it (no assemblies or having lunch in the hall), but we still have lots of learning to fit in! We may need to spend a little extra time on reading, maths and English to begin with, but don't worry, there will still be plenty of time for all your favourite subjects. I will be teaching you every day (and most of you know me very well by now), and Mrs Baldwin will take you swimming on Wednesday afternoons, once swimming lessons start up again!



English: In English we will start by studying the beautifully illustrated story Queen of the falls by Chris Van Allsburg. Our primary focus will be reading and writing recounts and producing our own diaries from different viewpoints inspired by the characters in the book. After half term, we will move onto looking at traditional tales using another beautiful book as inspiration - Carol Ann Duffy's 'The Lost Happy Endings'. We will focus on exploring different characters' viewpoints and rewriting traditional tales in exciting ways.

Maths: We will start the year focusing on place value, followed by two weeks reinforcing and developing your addition and subtraction skills. We will end the half term looking at statistics (data/graphs). After half term we will move onto a huge focus on multiplication and division as well as further developing your skills and understanding of area and perimeter. We will end the term by assessing your amazing progress.

History and Geography: During our first half term, we will focus on the Americas. Our topic will be led by our English book- Queen of the Falls by Chris Van Allsburg. In our Geographical understanding of the America's we will focus on locational and place knowledge with a view to mapping out an adventure route for Annie the 'Queen' from our book. Our second area of study is both historical and geographical in its content as we study the life and times of the Anglo Saxons, including their settlement in the UK's cities, towns and rural areas.



Science: Within science, we will look at animals, including humans, with a specific focus on describing the developmental changes humans go through from birth to old age. We will need some photographs of you as babies, toddlers, infants and now if you can collect them - thank you.



P4C: In P4C Mrs Baldwin will explore current world issues of family, human rights and conflict, as well as discussing how to be mentally healthy. We will also look at prejudice and racism throughout Black History month in October.

French: Through your French studies you will learn to talk about school, school subjects and give your opinions before moving onto looking at Time spent in a French city and winter celebrations.

Music: We will be learning about modern rock music through 'Livin' on prayer' followed by developing our understanding of 'All that Jazz'. We will continue to learn about different styles of music and instruments.



RE: This term our focus is Islam. We will be revisiting the Five Pillars of Islam and looking at how faith is expressed through family life.

DT: We will start by looking at inventors of the past who have helped us 'travel' across land, sea and air. We will then act as designers ourselves to make our own 'vehicles' to help us navigate cross-country including crossing (or going down) a waterfall.



Art: We will be creating our own drawings, paintings and collages in the style of illustrator Jane Ray.

PE: PE lessons will be taught on a Tuesday afternoon with me (Mrs Harland) where we will be practicing invasion games - so don't forget those PE kits. You will also go swimming on a Wednesday afternoon this term to the Ellesmere Port Sports Village where you will develop and enhance your swimming and water safety skills. After half term, we hope to still be able to undertake our 'Bikeability' sessions.

ICT: As we move into Upper KS2, INTERNET SAFETY remains paramount and we undertake a six week unit into E-SAFETY and common sense use of media platforms. You will then develop and refine your use of Scratch software to animate and design your own games. Word processing, Internet skills, i-Pad use, digital photography and graphics skills will be integrated throughout the whole curriculum.

