



Year 5

# Autumn 2 Newsletter

Around the world

Polar Extremes

In this booklet, you will find information on some of the things your child will be covering in class. You will also find a few ideas of how you can help your child at home.

We value your support in working with us and hope that you will find this information useful.

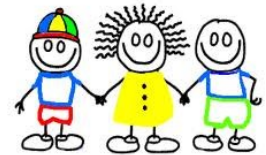


## English

- We will develop our writing skills by exploring and creating narratives based on mysterious and traditional stories.
- We will learn how to vary the length of our sentences in order to impact the reader.
- We will work on developing our vocabulary so it is rich and used correctly in a variety of contexts.
- Our speaking and listening skills will be developed through role - play and discussions.

## PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

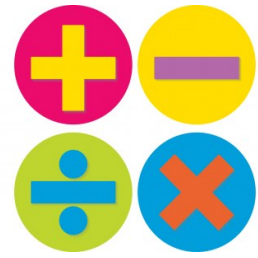
- We will recognise the value of diversity and cooperation in continuing to build a positive classroom ethos.
- We will discuss reasons why people get bullied and why it is wrong.



## PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- We will develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance during our gymnastic sessions.
- We will compare our performances with the previous ones and demonstrate improvement.
- Pupils in 5NB will continue to develop their swimming





## MATHEMATICS

- We will practise our skills in dividing numbers.
- We will develop our understanding of fractions through comparing and ordering fractions whose denominators are all multiples of the same number.
- We will identify, name and write equivalent fractions of a given fraction, represented visually, including tenths and hundredths.
- We will recognise mixed numbers and improper fractions, and read and write decimal numbers as fractions.



## UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- In science, we will learn about living things and their habitats while in DT we will look at different mechanisms.
- We will develop our geographical knowledge by learning about different climate zones, natural disasters and extreme weather.
- In RE, we will learn how Christmas is celebrated around the world. We will explore different versions of the Christmas story in the gospels, learn about Advent and Epiphany, and reflect on the meaning of Christmas to people from different religions.
- In computing, we will continue to develop our understanding of e-safety. We will be improving our programming skills by creating games.



## EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

- In art, we will be developing our skills in drawing and we will explore different watercolour techniques.
- We will have weekly music sessions with Mr Fiori, our resident music teacher.
- We will continue learning an instrument as part of Every Child a Musician.



## EXTRA ACTIVITIES/ THINGS TO BRING IN

- To promote a love of reading, we will be exploring the exhibition "Harry Potter: A History of Magic" at the British Library (22.11.17)
- We will learn how to keep ourselves safe during the Junior Citizen Visit(10.11.17)
- We will also attend workshops at the Archaeological Archive of the Museum of London.

## HOME LINKS

- Please support your child with weekly homework,- any additional research linked to our topic is always welcome and valued.
- Ensure that your child accesses Bug Club for reading / Mathletics for mathematics to develop their skills in the core subjects.
- Read with your child (minimum ten minutes per day.)
- Support your child in practising the times tables ( $12 \times 4$  ;  $48 \div 4$  ;  $48 = 12 \times \_$ ) to build a strong foundation for further learning.

