



Year 5



Summer Newsletter

April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here is a summary of what we have in store for this term. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

English

In the first half term, our class text will be 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell Boyce. We will use this book as a stimulus for lots of our writing, including descriptive writing, persuasive pieces, letters and diary entries. In addition to this, we will be focussing on writing instructions, explanations and newspaper reports.

Maths

We will begin the term by focussing on decimal numbers. This will include adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing decimal numbers. After this, we will recap on 2D and 3D shapes, as well as identifying and measuring different angles. Then we will move on to position and direction, converting measurements and measuring volume.

Reading

We have daily reading sessions in class, where we focus on different reading skills such as vocabulary, retrieval and inference, often linked to our class texts.

As well as this, we recommend that children read for a minimum of 20 minutes daily at home.

The children are allowed to take a book home from school to read so please prompt your child to do this.

Topic

Our topic for this term is the 'Significant Lives, Significant Times.' Although this is predominantly a history based topic we will be taking it across the curriculum. We will be focusing on a few significant figures from history, which will include Harriet Tubman, Henry VIII, Matthew Henson and Anne Frank. We will also learn about space exploration including Buzz Aldrin, Neil Armstrong and Mae Jemison.

Science

We have two science units this term. We will first learn about space, including the movement of the sun and moon and using the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night. We will then learn about the human life cycle and the changes that take place.

PE

This term we will be having our Dance session on a Wednesday, PE on a Thursday, and swimming on a Friday.

Contacting us

If you need to contact us regarding your child's education or wellbeing, please speak to Andrew at the gate or email Sam or Charles.

shyde@wtwschool.co.uk

ccarter@wtwschool.co.uk

Any urgent messages that need to be dealt with on the same day must be telephoned through to the school office as we may not access our emails during the school day.

Andrew, Sam and Charles