

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter break.

Our start/end times:

- All of Year 5 start at **8:45am** (unless they have pre-booked breakfast club)
- All of Year 5 will finish at **3:15pm** (those with permission can walk home by themselves)

Our learning:

Our Topic for this half term is **Quest for Knowledge** (a history investigation exploring huma developments throughout history). This learning build upon all the civilisations the children have been taught throughout primary school.

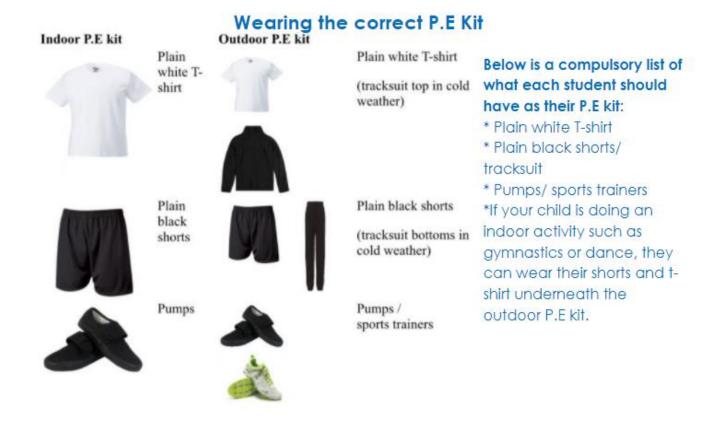
- **In Reading**, our class text will be *The Water Tower* by *Gary Crew*. The key comprehension skills that we will be focussing on are explore, inference and summarise.
- **In Writing**, we will be writing a narrative based on our class text. This unit will build upon all the grammatical features we've used in Year 5 and give the children an opportunity to use them in a piece of Writing.
- In Maths, we are continuing our decimals unit. We will be adding and subtracting decimals. This will progress into multiplying and dividing decimals by 10, 100 and 1000.
- **In Science**, we are focussing on Forces (physics). We develop our understanding of forces and which forces are used to move an object.
- **In History**, we will be building on our prior knowledge of the human civilisations. We will start with early homo sapiens and compare civilisations throughout the history of humanity.
- In P.E. we will be working on our fitness and athletic skills during our Athletics lessons.
- In R.E. we are going to look at behaviors; what it means to be a good or bad Christian.
- In MFL, we are going to describe our personalities using Spanish descriptors.
- **In PSHE**, we will be exploring the wider world. This will be a discussion about Fairtrade and different rules across the globe.
- In Art, we will be painting a portrait using the pointillist style of Art.

Support at home:

- Children will still be provided with a reading book from school. We would appreciate if the children could read at home with an adult at least 2 times a week. This will boost their reading stamina ready for our texts in class.
- Homework will be set weekly using: TT Rockstars, Conquer Maths, MyOn and Spelling shed. The children's log ins can be found at the front of their Reading Records.
- Attached to the letter are 2 knowledge organisers. Adults at home could help familiarise their children with the vocabulary before it is taught in the lesson.

PE:

- Maple and Sycamore have P.E. on a <u>Thursday</u>.
- Rowan have P.E. on a Wednesday.
- Please ensure the children come to school in the correct PE kit



If your child is isolating:

- A learning pack is available for Year 5 learners in the office
- The class teacher will send a list of website for children to access at home during the isolation period
- Links to live lessons on Teams can be sent if the child is well enough to join.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher on Dojo who will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 Team