**YEAR 5 AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2023**



**Subject Overview**

**Our topic this term is “THE SECRET OF SUTTON HOO” which has a history focus.**

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| **English** | Our whole class reading book for this term is “Beetle Boy” by M G Leonard.  We will also be focusing on the picture book “The Return” by Aaron Becker, Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo and a Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. |
| **Maths** | Topics include: mental arithmetic skills, place value, four rules – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, with a focus on times tables and problem solving. |
| **History** | Britain’s settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots |
| **Geography** | Maps and Mountains |
| **Science** | Properties and Changes of Materials |
| **DT** | Structures - Longboats |
| **PE/Games** | Yoga, gymnastics, football and tag rugby |
| **Music** | Music appreciation and songs from the Sparkyard scheme |
| **Art** | Drawing, painting and textiles linked to Beetle Boy |
| **Computing** | E-safety and Coding |
| **French** | Do you have a pet? What is the date? |
| **PSHE** | Being Me, Celebrating Difference |
| **RE** | What does it mean for Christians to believe that God is holy and loving?  How do Christians decide to live? What would Jesus do? |

**Homework**

* 'Home Learning Activities' related to our topic will be given out next week which will cover up to Christmas. The homework tasks are not mandatory: you and your child might choose which tasks you think your child would most benefit from completing. Please, by all means make them mandatory for your child. We would like all work uploaded to TEAMS.
* Maths homework is set on a Monday and is due in by the following Thursday. It is set on the internet using the My Maths website. If your child loses their login during the year – please contact us for a new one.
* In addition, pupils are expected to read at home as frequently as possible. It would be helpful if they could also talk about the book with an adult and a comment made in their Reading Record book.
* The children need to learn their times tables, so practising at home will be valuable to them. TT Rockstars is a great way of doing this.

**PE and Games Kit**

**All** Year 5 classes will have indoor PE on Tuesday.

Outdoor PE days are as follows:

Class 5H - Thursday

Class 5SL and 5R – Friday.

Children need to wear appropriate PE kit to school on their PE days; this should be house coloured t-shirts, school sweatshirts, black/navy shorts or jogging bottoms in colder weather and trainers. No jewellery should be worn (please remove earrings for PE days, newly pierced ears must be taped). Long hair needs to be tied back please.

**FOREST SCHOOL**

Forest School sessions will begin on Thursday 14th September. Please see the letter from

Mr Randell which gives details of what the children will need to wear and when their sessions are.

**SPELLINGS**

Weekly spellings will continue in year 5. The children will work on the spellings during the week in class and will be able to practise them at home. They will be tested on a Friday. If you have any questions regarding spelling, then please ask your class teacher.

We hope your child has a wonderful time in year 5. Any problems or concerns please don’t hesitate to contact us.

***Year Five Team***

**Year Group Leader: Mrs V Halford**

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| **Class 5H** | **Class 5SL** | **Class 5R** |
| **Mrs Halford**  **Miss Brogan (Fridays)** | **Mrs Stanley (Mon-Wed)**  **Mrs Lyons (Thurs-Fri)** | **Mr Randell**  **Mrs Cave (Mondays)** |
| Teaching Assistants: Mrs Gough, Miss Ederveen, Miss Sargeant, Mrs Hipkiss, Mrs Pope, Mrs Moorehouse and Mrs Wyatt. | | |

