

# YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

## SPRING 2 2018



Welcome back! We hope that you had a relaxing week off.

### Our topic this half term is 'Time Traveller'

Below is an overview of what we will be learning over the next half term.

#### English

This half term we will be comparing adventure stories from a variety of authors and we will create our own time travel story. We will also compare poems by different poets and create our own poem about a relative. In addition to this, we will continue working on how to evaluate and proof read our own and others' writing, indicating changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation.

#### Maths

In Maths we will focus more this half term on number. Topics will include decimals and percentages. We will look at percentages and link them to last terms fractions topic. We will be able to recognise and round numbers up to three decimal places and solve problems using decimal numbers. In addition to this, we will continue to have a big push on explaining answers in Year 5, using the correct mathematical vocabulary. As well as this, we will complete weekly times table challenges.

#### Science

In our Science lessons our new topic focus will be animals including humans. We will review and look at human growth. We will investigate, compare and recall the names of bones, muscles and body parts.

#### Topic

The Time Traveller topic will allow us to use our imagination. Comparing the past, present and future. We will look at the history of the community, produce timelines, describe the past and imagine the future. We will also compose portraits and clock face designs.

#### ICT

We will use our computer skills to help us research safely using the internet. In addition to this, we will start our new Rising Stars topic Unit 5.3, where we become artists. We will create art in different styles, imitating different patterns and designs of artists.

#### Important Information

**Reading** - please read at home each night with your child. It is extremely important that children are reading regularly to support their learning. **Children must read a minimum of 5 times per week.** We will be checking reading diaries each day to monitor reading at home.

**Homework** - homework grids will be sent home and are available on the school website. **Books must be in school each Wednesday for marking and to be kept up to date.**

**PE** - Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school including navy / black shorts, a white / house coloured t-shirt and plimsolls. PE is on a Wednesday and Thursday each week.

#### Dates for your Diary

- World book week WB 26<sup>th</sup> February
- World book day Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March
- Year 5 trip to York Castle Museum Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March

If you have any questions, please speak to Miss Dawson or Mrs Bell.