



## Year 5

### Tan Class (Mrs Humphries) and Fine Class (Mr McKenna) Autumn term 1 2021 - Information Guide

**Welcome to Year 5! This half term our focus will be all about settling back into school and into Year 5. We will also be developing and creating a class identity around our class names. All classes in the school are named after authors.**

Our learning this half term will encompass a range of skills to support the whole curriculum.

**English:** We will be writing our own myths and legends based around the legend of Robin Hood. We will also be writing detailed character descriptions.

**Maths:** We will be consolidating and developing our understanding of: place value in numbers to one million, addition and subtraction of whole numbers with more than 4 digits, reading line graphs and reading and interpreting information presented in different types of tables.

**Science:** Our Science learning will focus on describing the differences between the life cycles of different animals and describing how some animals and plants reproduce.

**Art:** We will be developing our drawing skills through careful sketching of still life and historical buildings.

**Geography:** We will be developing our understanding of world geography through identifying continents, countries, cities and key geographical features.

#### Visits and enrichment

The children will have swimming lessons during this first half term, more information to follow.

#### Home learning

Please see the yellow sheet sent out earlier this week.

#### Reading

Reading regularly at home is crucial to ensuring children's progress as readers. Our expectation of reading in Year 5 is that the children read at least three times a week at home, for a minimum of one hour in total. It is important that your child's reading book and reading diary come into school **every day**. The children need to use their reading diary to keep a record of their reading. Each week there is a space for a 'reading reflection'. Guidance on completing this section will be given to the children. Reading diaries will be monitored weekly by Mrs. Humphries and Mr. McKenna.

**Spelling:** A spelling log will come home each night with your child. with their personalised spellings in it. The children will need to practise these spellings and although they will not be regularly tested on them, we will be looking for them using the correct spelling in their written work. We will be focusing on both particular spelling patterns and also the statutory Y5/6 words from the National Curriculum.

#### USEFUL INFORMATION

**PE:** PE days for Mr. McKenna's class are Monday and Friday, and for Mrs. Humphries' class, it is Monday and Wednesday.

**Swimming:** to be confirmed.

**Library Day:** All children in Year 5 will visit the library every week. Mrs Humphries' class on a Friday and Mr McKenna's class on a Thursday. Please ensure library books are in school on this day to change.

**SeeSaw:** please ensure that you have connected to Class SeeSaw to receive messages and see pictures of your child's learning. Please see your child's teacher if you haven't connected.

**Forest School:**

**Mrs. Humphries' class:**

- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October and
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October

**Mr. McKenna's class:**

- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October and
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October