

Year 5 Newsletter (Autumn)



Our topic this term is: You Old Fossil!

Mrs Watson- Lemur Class Teacher

Mrs Cozens- Koala Class Teacher

Mrs Hardy- Teaching Assistant

Mrs Boulton- 1:1 Teaching Assistant

In class we will be learning about:

English: Starting with poetry as an introduction, then moving onto Roald Dahl's *George's Marvellous Medicine*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *The Twits*. In spelling, punctuation and grammar our topics will be concentrating on accurate punctuation, determiners, comma for clauses and questions.

Mathematics: Learning to add using the column method, looking at place value and working on how to spell numbers.

Science: Keeping Healthy, looking at what makes up a healthy diet and how to keep healthy.

History: Researching and exploring pre-historic life – we will be 'walking with dinosaurs'.

Art: We will be linking art to our topic of 'You Old Fossil'.

RE: Hinduism and the festival of Diwali.

DT: For Design and technology both Year 5 classes will be split in half. One half will be concentrating on textiles and cooking with Mrs Hrycia. The other half of each class will be with their class teacher designing and creating fossils linked to pre-historic life.

PSHCE: Lots of discussion around transition to year 5, the reasons that there are rules outside and within school.

PE: Football taught by our Sports Coach Mr Hewitt.

Computing: Computer components, what makes up a computer?

Dates for your diary:

Lemurs	Koalas
PE – Mondays and Thursday	PE – Thursdays and Fridays
Class Assembly – Friday 14 th October 9.00 am	Class Assembly – Friday 21 st October 9.00 am
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit – We are planning a visit to the National History Museum – Date to be confirmed.• We suggest bringing your child's PE bag in on a Monday and taking home on a Friday.	

Home Learning:

- Planners: Children have been given a planner, the expectation is that this is used to record their progress within reading and any parental messages to and from school. This is especially important as a number of our children have now been given permission to walk to and from school. The planners will be our main form of communication.
- Reading book: Your child's reading book will be changed as and when they complete it. They must record in their planners the pages that they have read. They are expected to read at least 4 times a week each for 15 minutes. Parents or carers must sign a minimum of once per week to acknowledge that this reading has taken place. Reading progress and signatures will be checked on Mondays and Tuesdays.
- Home learning books will be sent home weekly. These include a set of English or Mathematics task and a compulsory task each half term for Foundation subjects.

Useful Websites:

- www.topmarks.co.uk.
- www.mathletics.com
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english>
- <http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/>

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