

Year 5 Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term 1



7th September 2018

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and I hope you all had an excellent summer break! I would like to take the opportunity to share this term's curriculum with you and other useful information. This term our topic is 'Peasants, Princes and Pestilence'. This topic focuses on the Black Death and 14th Century England.

<u>Curriculum overview</u>

- English Narratives, diaries and speeches.
- Maths Number and place value, addition and subtraction.
- Science Forces.
- RE Hinduism.
- Topic (Geography/History/Computing/Art/DT/Music) 'Peasants, Princes and Pestilence'
- PE Swimming on Mondays and PE with our MSP Coach on Fridays.

<u>Homework</u>

Homework will be given out on a Friday and is expected to be handed in the following Thursday. In Year 5, children will record their homework in their homework diaries and you will also be able to view the homework set on the following Padlet page: <u>https://padlet.com/Year5Lea/year5homework</u>. Use this address to access the padlet on a tablet, ipad or computer, or you can scan the QR code on a tablet or iPad (download a QR scanner in the app store first). On this Padlet the latest homework set will appear at the top of the page. I find that the Padlet is a great communication tool which I will also write any weekly reminders or notices that I need to share with you all. Any questions regarding the Padlet please come and see me.

Each week, homework will include a Maths or English task, a list of spellings to learn, and a termly topic project will need to be completed. In Key Stage 2, children are expected to read daily and I also encourage that children use Times Table Rockstars as much as possible, to improve times table recall. Spelling and times table/mental maths tests will be on a Friday.

I do ask that grown-ups encourage their child to complete their homework set each week and support their child where necessary. The input and support you give your child really does have a huge positive impact on their learning and growing. If your child is unsure about any homework, please come and see me before the homework is due in and I'll be happy to support.

General Notices

- Please ensure all PE kit, uniform and coats are labelled clearly.
- PE will (hopefully) be outside: please ensure children have the correct kit and appropriate footwear and warm clothing.
- Swimming is every Monday until October half term for Year 5 children.
- Children are encouraged to bring a labelled water bottle into class each day.
- Don't forget to follow the class twitter page <u>@Year5Lea</u> and sport page: <u>@Sport_LeaSchool</u> and our Facebook page: <u>Frances Olive Anderson Primary School</u>.

Please feel free to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards, Miss Lee