



Welcome back to Year 5.

Firstly I would like to begin by welcoming you back after the half term. I hope you have had a lovely time over the past week and I am sure you are now ready and excited to start the new term!

Classroom Staff

Class Teacher: Mr N. Jones

Teaching Assistant: Mrs R. Riley

PPA Teaching: Mrs R. Riley

Timetable

I have added an updated timetable to our page on the school website so please feel free to have a browse, if you have any concerns please let me know.

Topic

Throughout this half term our topic will be "Inventors and Inventions" We will be looking at inventions throughout history as well as designing and creating our own.

Reading

Your child will continue to be given reading book either from the school library or from the reading schemes. They will also be given a reading diary to bring home and fill in to document their reading both at school and at home. These will be checked throughout the week. You should aim to read every night if possible as reading is vital to the whole curriculum. They can also complete comprehension activities using www.readtheory.org.

Spellings

Your child will continue to have spellings twice a week appropriate to their current ability. One of these sessions will be on words learnt at home. Your support in helping the children learn these rules will be greatly appreciated and will ultimately improve their writing and prepare them for future years. During the rest of the year they will also receive common words to learn.

English

The children will be learning about a range of writing techniques and we will be reading *Clockwork* by Phillip Pullman.

General Reminders...

- Any letters or reply slips, which need to be returned, can be put in your child's school bag. The children are encouraged to check them each morning and give things in before the register.
- School starts at 8:55am. Please ensure the children are in by then as they will have an opportunity to complete maths, reading, times tables and SPAG activities before registration.
- Well done to all those who have had good attendance this half term. Please can we make a real effort to ensure the children are in school as much as possible. It is vital if we are to prepare them for next year.

Maths

Throughout the term the children will be working on a range of mathematical concepts including multiplication and division, and perimeter and area. If you could support them as much as possible to learn their times tables and corresponding divisions by practising at home I believe the children can continue to achieve great things this year.

Useful websites are:

<http://www.maths-games.org/times-tables-games.html>

<http://ttrockstars.com/>

<https://www.prodigygame.com>

PE

The children will be doing PE on **Mondays**. Please ensure your child has their PE kit (shorts, plain tracksuit bottoms, pumps or dark coloured trainers) in school and that all items are clearly labelled.

I would again like to thank you in advance for all your support this year and if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me on ClassDojo or come in and see me, I look forward to seeing you all at some point.

Kindest regards,

Mr N. Jones

