

Summer Term 2024

Year 5

Newsletter 5

Dear Parents

Welcome back after the Easter break. I hope you had a good time, and the children were able to enjoy the holiday. We have a busy half term ahead once again.

Mrs Nash, Mrs Ardley and Miss Denton continue to work in Class 5 as our teaching assistants. Mrs Gelly will be teaching Class 5 on Tuesdays and Mrs Holdsworth will teach French on a Thursday afternoon.

This term our topic will be 'Out and About'. The main theme for our topic will be geographical with a detailed study of The Chilterns AONB. We will begin by looking at the geology of the Chilterns and how this has influenced settlement through history. To link in with this, we have our trip to The Chiltern Open Air Museum booked for Thursday 23rd May. We will study farming and forestry, tourism as well as the wildlife and landscape. This will give us opportunities to look closely at OS maps, planning and following routes as well as creating our own maps.

In English we shall be looking at stories from other cultures and our whole class guided reading book is Journey to Jo'burg by Beverly Naidoo. We shall continue to work on spelling, punctuation and grammar. This term SPAG will also feature as part of the children's homework regularly. Spelling dictation will be on Friday. Keep encouraging your children to complete Spelling Shed activities as it is having a positive effect on their spelling. ·

In maths we will continue to follow White Rose starting with perimeter, area and statistics. We will then move on to shape.

PE will still be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons concentrating on athletics and striking and fielding games.

In art we shall be exploring the work of William Morris and creating printed designs in his style. Our R.E. topic for this half term is 'Are you inspired?' and is all about inspirational people and the work of the Holy Spirit. Our science this term is plant and animal life cycles. We will begin by comparing insect, amphibian, bird and reptile life cycles.

Homework will be set on a **Friday** and needs to be returned by the following **Wednesday**. Spellings will be set weekly on spelling shed with a spelling dictation on Fridays. The tables challenge will continue a Tuesday.

I hope you find the above information clear. If you have any queries, please feel free to email me at lhoodless@westonturville.bucks.sch.uk

Mrs E Hoodless

PE - athletics

Striking and fielding
games

Science

Animal Life Cycles
mammals, insects,

Geography

The Chilterns,
landscape, geology,
farming, industry,
wildlife and nature

RE - Are you inspired? -
Pentecost and the Holy
Spirit

Out and About

English

Stories from other
cultures. Journey to
Jo'burg

Diary writing, writing

Art - *The work of William
Morris - printing*

French - transport types
and classroom objects

PSHE - zones of regulation
and diversity

Music - Charanga, composing
and chords