



Class 5MC

Spring Term 2

The theme for this half term will be
'River Deep, Mountain High'

I hope that you have all had a lovely half term holiday. The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you of the topics that your children will be studying this half term.

Homework
Homework will be set on Fridays and the children will be made aware of the deadline for returning their finished work to school. Home work club will run each Tuesday lunchtime at 12:45pm for anyone wishing to complete their homework in school.

Spellings / Times Tables
Spellings and times table facts will be given out on a Monday. A short test will be carried out the following Friday.

Home Reading
Children will be given their reading books to take home on a daily basis. They should be encouraged to read a few pages or a chapter every night. Please discuss with your child what they've read before signing their reading record.
Books need to be brought to school every day.
All children are entered into the class reading challenge where they need to read **at least 5 times per week.**

Literacy:
Main areas of study will be:
Story Writing, Information Texts.
Journalistic writing and letter writing.
Also during literacy lessons your child will be focussing on sentence structure, spelling, grammar, handwriting and reading.
Our Class text this term will be *Treasure Island* by R.L Stevenson.

Numeracy:
Main areas of study will be:

- Multiplication/Division
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Geometry
- Number and place value
- Measures
- Problem Solving

By Year 5, children should know all of the times tables. If your child does not know all the times tables please help them to learn these at home.

Science: In Science we will be investigating properties of materials. We will look at how we can compare and group materials based on their properties. We will also look at how materials can be separated and changed. We will also investigate how some changes are reversible and some are not.

RE: In RE, we will be looking at 'Faith in Action'. We will learn about people throughout history who have made sacrifices during their lives. We will research significant changes that have occurred and the impact these changes have had on the lives of others. We will also be looking at the Christian festival of Easter.

PSHCE
In PSHCE we will be looking at how it is 'Good to be me'

Music: In music, Class MC will continue to learn to play the violin with visiting music teacher, Mr Lynch.

Art / DT:
Our Art and DT lessons will relate to our theme of 'River Deep Mountain High'.
We will look at famous landscape artists, who have painted mountains around the world.

ICT / French: In ICT we will be looking at Internet Safety, Coding and Spread Sheets. We will also be further developing our word processing and presentation skills, building on our previous learning. We will continue with our French lessons, being taught by our visiting French Teacher, Madam Bonot.

PE: Lessons will be on **Thursdays** when children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T-shirt. Outdoor kit of plain black joggers and a plain black sweatshirt are also essential, as wherever possible, PE lessons will take place outside.

History / Geography
In Geography we will be learning about rivers, oceans and seas around the world. We will look at the importance of rivers for the economy. In History we will be looking at explorers of the past. We will also look at the history of ocean liners, in particular the Titanic.

Finally...
If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact either myself or Mrs Ketley at the end of the day.