



## WELCOME BACK TO THE SPRING TERM 2021!

### WELCOME Back TO YEAR 5!

Welcome back Year 5 - we hope you had an enjoyable break. The first term flew by and the Year 5 team are so proud by how much the children have achieved so far. As a year group they have already improved their attitudes to learning and this is reflected in their work. They have continued to demonstrate resilience in all aspects of school life. We look forward to an interesting and exciting term

#### Year 5 Staff:

Miss Binding, Mrs Coomber, Mr Eyre, Mrs Johnson, Mr Betts, Mrs Sylvan, Miss Vincenzo, Mrs Walrond & Miss Wake

If our class bubbles should ever need to close, all the children's work will be accessed via google classrooms. All children have been given their log-in details and have practised logging in, but please contact your class teacher.

#### Behaviours for Learning:

Positive attitude to learning and behaviour are among the most important

expectations in Year 5. Our targets for the following term are:

*\* I can use resources safely and independently*

*\* I can always be prepared to learn*

*\* I can ignore others' behaviours and distractions*

We understand that for various reasons these targets can be difficult for individuals. If you have any concerns please don't hesitate to discuss this with us.



#### Please remember: PE kit

White T-shirt. Black shorts (tracksuit bottoms for outdoors in the winter) Trainers or plimsolls.

#### PE days:

**Wednesday afternoons with Sports Coaches for Octopus & Sea Turtles and Monday afternoons with the class teacher.**

**Wednesday Afternoons Stingrays will be at Forest School.**



#### Forest Schools

During this term, Year 5 will have the opportunity to participate in **Forest Schools**, starting with Stingrays. Students should wear long trousers (not jeans), a long sleeved T-shirt and an old jumper for protection from stings and bites. Layers of old clothing are best as they protect from the cold. **Please note:** Forest school clothes will get dirty!



# THE TROSNANT TIMES YEAR ? NEWSLETTER AND CURRICULUM UPDATE

#### Key dates:

The following dates have been provisionally put into the school diary. However we will keep you informed if they are able to take place and in what format.

**4<sup>th</sup> January** Return to school  
**12<sup>th</sup> February** RE day  
**15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> February** Half term

**5<sup>th</sup> March** Trosnant celebrating World Book Day  
**19<sup>th</sup> March** Reports out to parents (TBC)  
**Week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - telephone parent phone calls as required (details TBC)  
**31<sup>st</sup> March** RE day  
**1<sup>st</sup> April** Thursday end of term

**Easter holiday 2<sup>nd</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> April**

**19<sup>th</sup> April** Return to school

At Trosnant...

**Practise makes progress**



We are currently opening our classroom doors at **8.45am**...if you need a quick word, please speak to the teacher at the door. If you would like longer conversation please contact the school office and we can either call you back at an arranged time or sort out a socially distanced meeting in school. Working together is still really important to us!



## What we will be learning about?



#### English

Year 5 will begin by exploring how writers describe setting through narrative poetry, focussing on the narrative poem 'The Lady of Shallot.' Later we will then explore the structure of plays and scripts, using 'Macbeth' as our focus text. In Guided Reading we will continue to focus on summarising the text and developing comprehension skills.

**Mathematics** Year 5 will begin by developing their multiplication, division, addition and subtraction skills, with a focus on the inverse operation. Later we will be developing our understanding of fractions and finally we will begin measurement and geometry.



#### LEARNING QUESTS:

#### Peasants, Princes and Pestilence

Lock your doors and pull up the drawbridge: the dreaded 'Great Pestilence' is here. This half term, we'll travel back to the dark and deadly world of 14<sup>th</sup> century Britain. Using our geographical and scientific knowledge it is our job to discover and record how the dreaded plague arrived in England.



#### Who was the best Tudor Monarch?

Let's travel back in time to meet the terrifying Tudors. The Tudors were a domineering dynasty who changed the course of history. During this learning journey we will absorb ourselves in the Tudor lifestyle learning about and experiencing all their fascinating traditions.



#### Home Learning

Each half-term students will be given a set of home learning challenges. The students will need to choose **ONE** of these per week to complete. We will share our home learning challenges with each other every Wednesday. They will also be given spellings, comprehension and times table activities each week. The comprehension is in a separate white and orange book. Reading (at least 5 times a week) and should record this in Home learning book. Year 5 are starting a new reading programme called Scholastic Reading Pro. More details to follow soon.

**Home Learning is given out on a Friday and should be handed in the Wednesday.**