

## Year 5 Spring Term Newsletter

Welcome back to the Spring term. This term our main topic is Space.



**English:** The children will be writing newspapers, letters, sci-fi stories, explanation and persuasive texts. Throughout the term, the children will continue to study grammar and punctuation with a focus on the use of modal verbs, prepositions, relative clauses, the apostrophe, parenthesis and the use of bullet points.

**Maths:** This term we will be revising place value for 6-digit numbers, the formal written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, decimal numbers and ordering fractions. We will be learning about percentage/decimal equivalence, calculating percentages, adding and subtracting fractions, measuring angles and reading and drawing line graphs.

To support your child in maths, it would be helpful if you could encourage him/her to practice telling the time regularly, to read recipes and weigh items when cooking and to calculate shopping totals and change due.

**Topic:** In history we will be looking at the history of space exploration and global trade.

**Art/ DT:** We will be creating cars toys and sculpting our own clay rockets and robots.

**Science:** We will be exploring space and environmental dangers for animals.

**RE:** We will start our study of the Hindu faith and the way Hindu's show commitment to their faith. We will then be learning about the Trimurti.

**Music:** We will be learning 'Shosholozza', a traditional South African song, playing the accompanying chords using tuned percussion and we will learn some dance moves. Then we will be exploring the associations between music, sounds and colour, composing and, as a class performing our own musical composition to represent Holi.



## Upcoming Events

**PE this term is on Monday and Wednesday**

7<sup>th</sup> Feb NSPCC numbers Day  
10<sup>th</sup> Feb Internet Safety day  
15<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Feb Parents evening  
Half term 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>  
1<sup>st</sup> March Pancake Toss  
3<sup>rd</sup> March World Book Day  
25<sup>th</sup> March Wonderful Women Morning  
7<sup>th</sup> April Easter Service  
8<sup>th</sup> April Easter Bonnet Parade  
8<sup>th</sup> April Term ends 1.30pm

### Homework:

Spellings are set on Friday and are tested on the following Friday

Daily reading - please record reading in your child's homework diary

English homework is set on Friday and due in on Wednesday.

Maths homework is set on Friday and due in on Wednesday.

If there is a problem with completing homework, the children will have an opportunity to discuss with their class teacher during a lunchtime.

Please go on Doodle Maths daily.