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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter- Spring Term 1 2023

Reading:

Our main English text this half term is 'Hidden Figures' by Margot Lee Shetterly. We will also be using a variety of texts linked to our topic of Space in Guided Reading lessons. Please ensure that your child reads at home on a daily basis and that an entry is made in their reading diary. Book bags and reading diaries should be brought in **everyday** to support the Accelerated Reader programme we are running in school. Reading is monitored by teachers weekly and feedback is given to children.

Spellings:

We will continue to work on the statutory word list for Years 3 / 4 and 5 / 6, as well as focusing specifically on: words ending in '-ibly' and '-ably', homophones and rare grapheme/phoneme correspondence.

Maths:

This half term we will be continuing to consolidate children's multiplication and division facts for all their times tables up to 12 x 12, as well as trying to increase the recall speed of these facts. Each child should continue to use their 'Times Tables Rockstars' account to practise these facts at home. You can access the website via our school website or at: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/29424>. Additionally, there are more activities on Education City (<https://educationcity.com/>) which will support children with consolidating their times tables.

Home Learning Projects:

This term our project is based on 'Earth and Space'. Please have a look at the 'Home Learning Ideas' document for some ideas of projects that you can complete at home with your child. Please take photos and upload any work completed onto SeeSaw so it can be shared with the rest of the class by the teacher.

PE:

Your child will need to come to school wearing appropriate clothing and footwear for PE lessons on **Wednesdays** (gymnastics inside) and **Thursdays** (netball outside). We believe that children can nearly always take part in a PE lesson in some capacity if they are able to attend school. Our policy is that children will take part in PE lessons unless a doctor's note advises in writing against it. Earrings are not permitted to be worn in PE and long hair should be tied back.

General reminders:

- Remind your child to bring in a plastic see-through water bottle daily (no metal bottles please)
- We continue to keep good levels of ventilation in school, so layers of clothing will be useful as the weather continues to be cold

We are always happy to speak with parents. Please do catch us at the end of the day if you have a quick question or contact the office to arrange a meeting.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Sewell and Miss Bright
Year 5 teachers