

21<sup>st</sup> April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Year 5 Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Summer 1 2023**

It has been lovely to see the children back in school and making a good start to the summer term. We are thrilled to welcome Mrs Harwood onto the Year 5 team, who will be covering Ms Sewell's maternity leave.

Reading

Our texts for English this half term are 'The Bee Book' by Charlotte Milner and 'The Promise' by Nicola Davis. We will also be using 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold in our Guided Reading lessons. Please read with your child on a daily basis and make an entry in their reading diary. Book bags and reading diaries should be brought into school **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 focussing specifically on: homophones and strategies for learning spellings.

Maths:

We are continuing to use the programme 'Times Tables Rockstars' to help consolidate children's multiplication and division facts for all their times tables up to 12 x 12. For those children who are already confident with these facts, the program will help them to increase their recall speed. You can access the website via our school website or at: <https://play.trockstars.com/login/29424>

Home Learning Projects:

This term our Home Learning Project is based on 'Living Things and their Habitats'. Please see the attached sheet that has some starter ideas for projects that you can complete at home with your child. Your child may bring their completed project work into school to share with the class.

PE:

Children will need to have their PE kits in school on **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays**. Wednesday's lesson will be gymnastics which will be inside and Thursday's lesson will be rounders which will be 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. Please make sure your child wears suitable clothing for these days. Earrings must be removed for PE and long hair must be tied back.

General reminders:

- Please ensure your child brings a clear, plastic water bottle to school daily. Children are able to refill these in school

Yours sincerely,  
Miss Bright and Mrs Harwood  
Year 5 teachers