

# Year 5

## **WELCOME to Year 5!**

We would like to welcome you back to our new school year, and hope that you all had a lovely summer break ☺ This newsletter contains information about our curriculum for the first half of the Autumn Term.

### **Don't forget...**

Our Parent drop-ins are held on the last Thursday of each month from 3.40 -4.30pm



## **Themes for the Term**

This half term, our topic will be **"Space"**. In October, we will be taking a trip to Jodrell Bank, carrying out a variety of experiments and workshops about our solar system.

Most subjects are linked through our themed curriculum. Our other curriculum areas include:

### **Literacy**

In literacy, we will be writing adventure stories based on the TV series 'Mr Benn'. We will also be reading a novel called 'The Butterfly Lion, by Michael Morpurgo.

### **Supporting Your Child at Home - Reading**

Please help to support your child by listening to them read for enjoyment. If you would like any help or advice on how to do this effectively please speak to your child's teacher.

### **RE**

In RE, we will be focusing on Judaism, and learning about different stories from the religion.

### **PSHE**

We will be using "Philosophy for Children" to discuss a wide range of topics, which will help us improve our questioning skills and deepen our thinking.

### **PE**

We will begin the year with some balancing skills and ball skills, using our Real PE scheme of work.



### **Maths**

This is a spiral curriculum and topics change each week. You can help at home by encouraging your child to practice times tables.

### **Computing**

In computing, we are lucky enough to be able to use the ICT suite down at Turton. This half term, we will be using Scratch to create a model simulation of the solar system.

### **French**

With Miss Thiery, we will be learning about the Euro, and how to say larger numbers in French. We will also revise the names of school subjects, and learn the names of rooms in the house.

### **Music**

In music, we will be composing our own pieces based around the topic of space.

### **Art and Design**

To tie in with our space topic, we will be studying the work of an artist called Peter Thorpe, and using pastels to create our own pictures in his style.