

# Year 5

## Welcome to Year 5

This newsletter contains information about our curriculum for the first half of the Spring 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

Our topic for this half term is the Polar Regions. Linking with our work on Literacy, we will be investigating how dropping litter in our area could contribute negatively to the Polar Regions. We will focus on other impacts facing the region including global warming and pollution and the effects this will have on both the landscape and animals.

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

## Literacy

In Literacy, we will be focusing on persuasive writing. Our unit will begin with a visit from the Bolton Litter Pickers, and we will be helping them launch a school campaign on litter. We will also be following up our Robinwood trip with some scary setting descriptions!

### 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.

## French

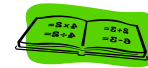
This half term we will be learning to name items of food and drink, comparing French and English breakfasts and learning about what is and isn't healthy.

## 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.

## Art and Design Technology

In Design Technology, we will be finishing off building our Anglo - Saxon boats, and will be evaluating their effectiveness in water! We will also be decorating pebbles for our litter campaign, and hiding them around Bromley Cross to spread our message!



## 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

We will continue to visit Turton with Mr Jordan on Wednesday afternoons, and will be using our new coding skills to help us debug programs! After this, we will be learning how to use spreadsheets, using formula and creating graphs about a variety of data.

## RE

This half term, we will be comparing Jewish and Christian leaders such as Abraham, Esther and David, Nelson Mandela, Terry Waite, The Pope and The Queen.

## ROBINWOOD

On Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January, we will be packing up our bags and heading over to Todmorden for our Robinwood trip ☺ Make sure you take your thermals!

## Music

This half term, we will be studying Pachelbel's Canon and performing it on glockenspiels! We will be looking particularly at the structure and pitch, and the ground bass.