

# Year 5 Newsletter

Summer Term 1

April

2021

**Welcome back to Year 5. We hope you had an enjoyable Easter break. We have lots of wonderful learning opportunities in the half term ahead.**

**Mrs Jennings, Mr Henderson and Mr Jeans**

Year Five have lots of exciting new learning planned for this half term.

In English we will be using the text 'Macbeth' by William Shakespeare. The children will be learning to write a discussion text. A focus on writing a balanced argument is the challenge that the children will face. The children will be invited to study the text and find evidence to support their arguments and counter arguments. A focus on using modal verbs and relative clauses will support the sentence structures that the children will use in this type of writing. The children will continue to use punctuation correctly and learn to edit and improve their work.

Our main focus for Maths this half term is Fractions. As a class we will explore in depth, what fractions are. Using a variety of representations the children will understand and work with equivalent fractions, add and subtract fractions and solve problems involving fractions. Using resources in class really helps to deepen the conceptual understanding of the mathematics being taught.

Our History topic is Tudors and Stuarts. This is a really exciting topic. The children were tasked with creating a poster or model to support the learning of this topic over the holidays. Some fantastic work has already been handed in. We have a Tudor Day booked, where a historical company will give the children a Tudor experience day.



In DT the children will be working on creating a design criteria to make their own mobile phone case.



Our Science topic this half term is Materials. This exciting topic gives the children lots of opportunity for scientific enquiry. The children will classify materials and conduct several experiments with a variety of materials.



PE will focus on the skills needed for tennis and cricket. Team Theme coaches will continue to deliver high quality PE lessons, each Thursday. Remember to wear PE kit to school on Thursday.

Things to remember

PE Thursday

PE KITS:

Burgundy shorts, white polo top and black pumps/trainers.

**Homework:**

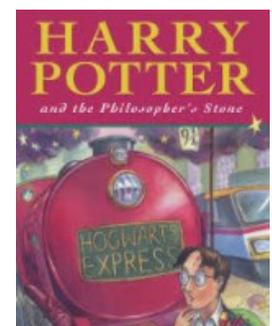
**Given out: FRIDAY**

**Due in: Friday**

**School Planner: Friday.  
Read at least three times and signed.**

Spelling Test - Friday

This half term our class novel will be:



Home work is now set on Google Classroom. All children have been shown how to access this using their email accounts. If you have any problems accessing this at home, please contact us and we will help you. Each week, Spellings, English and Maths work is set. There are a variety of support videos available on GC to support every pupil with their learning.

*Pupils still have access to Purple Mash, TTRS and My Maths, if they would like to practice work they have taught in school.*