

Spring Term, January 2017

Year 5 Newsletter

Welcome to a new year- we hope you had a wonderful break and were able to spend some time relaxing. The children have started 2017 with the same positive attitude they ended 2016 and I am excited to see how they develop further over the coming term.

Our topic this term is art and the children will be looking specifically at the theme of World War 2, focussing on the life and work of Lowry. They will then be completing some of their own art work, reflecting the style of this period.

English

In English we will be looking at persuasive writing, continuing our World War 2 theme by focussing particularly on propaganda, The children will be reading and analysing different types of propaganda that were used and using this to create their own. Later on in the term, we will be looking at the story of *Goodnight Mr Tom* and using this as a focus in our English lessons.

Mathematics

In maths we will be focussing on a number of areas, with a key emphasis in the first few weeks on using the four operations – adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing. Each Friday the children will be given a specific opportunity to put these operations into practice, completing age appropriate questions. The non-negotiables for maths in year 5 have been sent home and this is something that you can practise with your child. It is vital that your child is competent with all the objectives by the end of year 5.

Spellings

Your child will be taught spelling rules in specific spelling lessons each week. They will then have a spelling test each Friday where they will have to apply these rules.

Diary Dates

**Thursday 19th
January–** Trip to
the Holocaust
centre

**Monday 6th
February–** Trip to
Galleries of
Justice

If you have any
queries or
concerns please
do not hesitate to
contact us.

Many Thanks,
Mr Wood
and
Mrs French

P.E

The children will continue to receive tennis lessons on alternate Monday's and yoga every Thursday. They will receive football coaching on alternate Wednesday's, with every other week being an agility and fitness session. During the summer term, year 5 will also be swimming each week. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing for P.E lessons.

Homework

Homework will be handed out three times per week. Comprehension homework will be given out on a Monday, which will be due in on Wednesday. Every Wednesday they will receive spelling and handwriting homework, which is due in on Friday. Each Friday they will receive maths homework, due in on Monday. It is also expected that the children will complete 10 minutes of reading each night, which needs to be signed, by an adult, in the reading diary. If reading is not completed at home then your child will be expected to complete this during lunchtime.

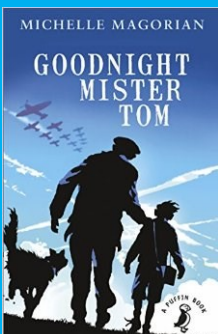
Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform each day. Trainers must only be worn for P.E lessons, with black shoes being worn throughout the rest of the day.

Class Author

The Year 5 class author this term is Michelle Magorian. As a class we are currently reading *Goodnight Mr Tom* which I know the children are really enjoying.

Class Author-



Michelle Magorian

