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Year 5 News

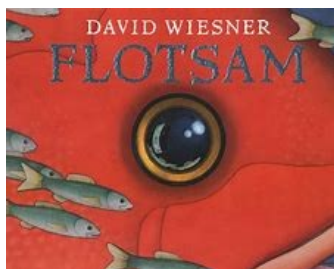
Summer Term...

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CONGRATULATIONS to all children for their fantastic Easter Collective Worship.

English: Writing

To begin the half term we will be focusing on the picture book called Flotsam where the children will be focusing on descriptive writing, non-chronological reports and instruction writing.



Reading

We continue to encourage regular reading; both for enjoyment but also to improve skills and language which can improve writing and many other areas of the curriculum. We request that children aim for 3 Reading record entries a week, 2 of which can be an adult signing that they have heard reading and 1 written by the child.

Maths

In our groups this half term, we will be focusing on shape, angles and position and direction. We continue to encourage children to regularly complete TT Rockstars to build multiplication skills. Atom Learning will be set alongside lessons completed in school to consolidate learning.

Homework

Homework will continue to be set on Fridays online unless otherwise specified and we ask that it is completed by the following Wednesday. Children will be given spellings to practice and also Atom Learning. Homework should take approximately 30 mins each for English and Maths. Please let the Year 5 team know if this is an issue within Atom.

Spellings

We will continue to embed our CUSP spelling programme, we are aiming to increase children's knowledge of spelling patterns, etymology and root words. Spelling homework will be given on a Friday and is due the following Wednesday.

DIARY DATES

w/b 13th April
Science week in school

w/b 20th April
Stephen Lawrence Week in school

Monday 4th May
School closed— Bank holiday

Monday 11th May
Year 6 SATs begin

Friday 22nd May
Break up for half term

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday 8th June

5CW class assembly

Thursday 11th June

Whole school photos

Thursday 18th June

Year 5 trip to Aztec Adventure—
further details to follow

Friday 19th June

Summer Fair

Thursday 2nd July

Y5 Fabulous Finish 2:40pm

Thursday 9th July

Growing gains feast

Friday 17th July

Children break up from school



curriculum



This half term our topic is all about the Vikings. The children will be understanding the Viking timeline in relation to other historical eras, describing Viking warriors and looking at Viking travel. We will also be delving into the events that occurred at Lindisfarne. Studying the Vikings is also very useful ahead of the children visiting York in September.

In **DT**, the children will be making pop up books which will allow us to research structures and mechanisms.

In **Growing Gains**, we will continue to learn about growing and looking after your own produce and will be preparing to harvest vegetables for our growing gains feast in the final half term. (Thursday 9th July). **The growing gains dates for HT5 are:** April 23rd, May 7th, May 12th, May 21st, June 11th, June 25th and July 9th.

In **Science**, we will be looking at the properties and changes of a range of materials. We will also investigate reversible and irreversible changes.

Our **PSHE** topic this half term is about relationships.

In **PE**, we will be focusing on our football and rounders skills. PE will take place on a Monday afternoon for 5CS and 5RS and a Tuesday afternoon for 5CW.

In **Music**, we will be following the unit 'Dancing in the Street' which we're sure the children will enjoy.

In **RE**, we will be revising the beginnings of Sikhism, understanding the role of the Guru Granth Sahib and the importance of oneness.

In **French**, we will be continuing to learn about the weather—types of weather and directional language so that the children can present a weather report in French by the end of the half term.

As always, if you ever need any help or have a question, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Year 5 Team - Mr Stonehall (Year lead), Mrs Robinson, Mrs Camwell and Ms White.