

# Year 5/6 Class Newsletter

Autumn 1 - 'Our Green Planet'  
Focus Christian Value - Service (Helping)



Hello parents and carers!

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer holiday. I am sure we are all very much looking forward to the new academic year and to returning to normality moving into the Autumn term.

For our first topic we will be studying 'Our Green Planet'. We will be focus on the diversity of our planet, how we should care for it and environmental issues. English, Art, DT, History and Geography, French and music lessons will be linked to this topic wherever possible.

During English sessions, we will explore persuasive writing, letters and a range of fiction work based on our guided reading books for the half term.

Maths sessions will focus upon place value and the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

In Science, we will study living things and their habitats. This will include the classification of plants and animals, reproduction and life cycles.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to speak to me before or after the school day or contact the office.

Mr Symington and the Year 5/6 team.

## Reading Books and Spellings

A paper copy of the first set of spellings will be sent out early next week. Your child will have 10 to practise for the week. They will also be available to practise at home through Spelling Shed.

We will complete a short spelling test every Monday, starting on the week of 27th September.

Reading books will be provided to all children and will be checked on a Monday and Friday.



## Things To Do At Home

Try to read with your child as often as possible. Whether it is a school book, a library book, an age appropriate book from home or magazine they enjoy, it really makes a big difference!

In addition, practise the multiplication tables, spelling and handwriting as often as possible.

Homework activities for this half term will be sent home with your child next week.



## PE Kits and Forest Schools

Please ensure that your child always has their PE kit in school. Our main PE session will take place on a Monday afternoon but this is going to be flexible as we look to fit extra slots in wherever possible.

Year 5/6 will have Forest Schools session during the second half of the Autumn term.



## This Half Term We Are Reading:

'The Promise' by by Nicola Davies and Laura Carlin

'The Explorer' by by Katherine Rundell