



Castle View Primary School
Year 5 Newsletter
Autumn 2 Term 2021

Welcome back to Year 5, hopefully you've all had a good break and your child is ready for this busy half term. This newsletter will inform you of what your child will be covering over the next half term, so please help to support them in any way you can.

English	Through our English work this half term we will be reading a modern retelling of a myth. The children will be understanding what a dilemma is and how different decisions can change the endings of stories. The children will be empathising with the main character as they write a diary entry in role. For our non-fiction topic, the children will be exploring different types of recounts before the children use these skills to write their own.
Maths 	For maths this half term, the children develop their multiplication and division skills; knowing the difference between factors and multiples; identifying prime, cube and square numbers; and multiplying and dividing by 10,100 and 1000. Within these topics we will be looking at and solving a variety of problems so that the children can apply their understanding.
Science 	In science we will be covering the topic 'Animals including Humans and living things and their habitats'. Children will be learning about the life-cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds and investigating any similarities or differences. We will then be looking at the changes as humans develop to old age and the difference between how male and female bodies grow.
Geography	In geography, the children will be exploring and learning about the United Kingdom. They will be identifying how unique each area of the UK is and will be able to identify human and physical features in these places. They will also look at tourism and why people come to the UK and explore different types of jobs available. Finally, they will discover how the UK is powered and how it manages its energy needs.
Reminders 	PE - Our PE lesson will continue to be on a Tuesday morning so please remind your child to come in their full PE kit on those days. Advance Notice - the children will be going swimming after Christmas and will require appropriate swimwear and hats for the girls. Reading – We expect your child to be reading at least 3 times a week at home and their reading records will be checked every Monday. A raffle ticket is given to your child for every time they read and a monthly draw occurs with great prizes. The more your child reads the greater chance they have to win the raffle or earn other rewards! Spellings – These are set every Monday and the children will be tested on them every Friday. Please help your child with learning them – it is really important. Thank you for your support.

We hope the children will enjoy their new topics this half term. If you have any questions or concerns, please telephone the office and I'll get back to you as soon as I can.

Best wishes

Miss Bloomfield & Miss Kirkbride

