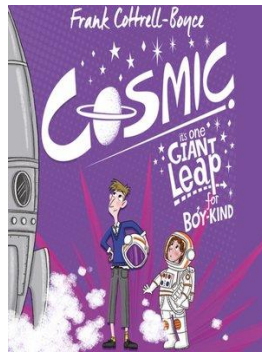
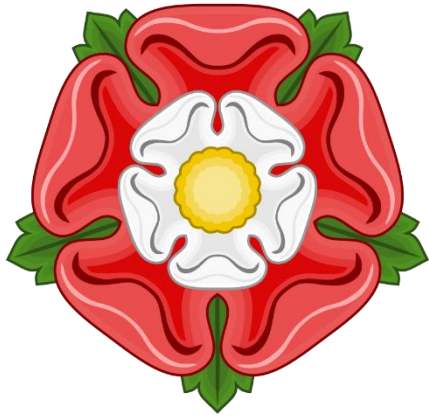


Year 5 Newsletter Autumn Term 1



Dear Families,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer holidays and you are all ready to start the new academic year!

To kick off the school year, we will be researching and investigating 'what life was like in Tudor, England'.

This term we will be learning about animals including humans the different developmental stages that we as humans go through. We will be studying the important changes that the children will go through, including the emotional and physical changes they will go through during puberty. We are looking forward to sharing our learning with you on Class Dojo.

Our Class Novel this term is 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell-Boyce.

If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to any one of us. We can all be contacted via Class Dojo.

Miss Wheeliker and Mr Barwell

PE

Year 5 PE day is Wednesday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their named PE kit on that day. Jewellery needs to be removed and long hair tied back for PE.

Reading

Please ensure that your child's planners and reading book are in school every day.

Water & Snacks

It is crucial that every child arrives at school with fresh water in a named/labelled bottle. Water bottles will need to be taken home at the end of every day. Snacks will be fruit only and will be provided by the school. If your child wishes to bring their own snack, please ensure it is fruit only. Thank you.

ClassDojo

We will use Class Dojo to communicate with you and to share the children's learning. Please let us know if you still need to connect on this service and we will be able to give you a code.

Homework

Every week, the homework expectations are that children are to log into EdShed and Times Table Rock Stars and to read their levelled reading books at least three times, ideally five times a week. Children's reading needs to be signed off by an adult but can be carried out on their own.

Autumn Term 1: Tuesday 6th September- Friday 20th October 2023

English

In writing sessions this term, children will demonstrate and develop a range of skills through narrative and biography writing. Firstly, children will write an imaginative narrative based on a scene from our class novel Cosmic. Then, we will learn about and write a detailed biography around a famous female pharaoh called Hatshepsut. Spellings will be set weekly on EdShed from week 2.

Maths

This half term we are learning about place value. We will be exploring, representing and applying our place value knowledge to numbers up to 1,000,000. This includes learning to round large numbers to the nearest, 10, 100, 100, 10,00 and 100,00.

Later in the half term we move on to develop our skills within a range of methods to perform the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

Science

This half term we will be learning about animals including humans. We will be looking at the life cycle of a human, focusing on what changes occur within each stage. This will include looking at growing older (children into young adults) and we will consider both the emotional and physical changes that occur within the human body in line with the National Curriculum.

History

During history this term, children will hone their historical enquiry skills by analysing sources about Tudor England. They will answer the question "What was life like in Tudor England?" by learning about the Tudor dynasty, and what made Henry VIII particularly polarising amongst the English people.

Physical Education

Children will be learning to play Football during this term working on tackling and defending skills. This will allow children to develop their team work skills and how to play a competitive sport with specific rules including how this is a non-contact sport. This will support children's resilience skills which is one of our four school values.

French

We will be recapping our previous learning, practising our pronunciation and conversational French skills. We will begin learning to use a dictionary to support our independence in forming French phrases / sentences more effectively.

DT (Y5AW)/Art (Y5HB)

In Design and Technology this term, we will be focusing on electrical systems. We will be exploring series circuits and we will be beginning to introduce motors to our systems.

In Art this term we will be looking at 3D models and sculptures. We will be researching and designing our own 3D models or sculptures.

Computing

During Computing lessons, the children will be learning about e-safety before moving on to explore search engines. Children will learn to search effectively using specific key words to narrow search results.