

# Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 1



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Year 5 had an amazing first half term, settling in really well and are trying really hard to continue to meet the expectations of Year 5.

This year we are really focusing on Fantastic Speaking and Listening and Fantastic Walking and Entry.

Please feel free to download the Marvellous Me app, so you can keep up to date with all your child's achievements and all the things that happen in school.

Just a reminder that your child is able to bring in a healthy snack for break time (e.g. fruit and cereal bars) to tide them over until lunchtime.

**PE Day:** All children will need to have their PE kit in school for **Thursday** afternoons. As the weather gets colder, please add a plain black tracksuit to your child's PE kit to keep them nice and warm.



## Diary Dates

**Swimming**— 5EW had an amazing 5 weeks of swimming before half term: now it is the turn of 5ND —so remember your swimming kits every Wednesday. We won't be swimming in December!

Boys and girls' football clubs are still continuing, with more matches against other schools happening soon if the weather allows!

Parents' Evening is coming up, so keep an eye out for more details.

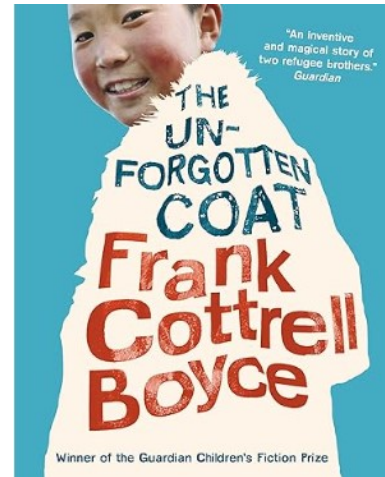
Also, It's that time of year when we start using the word 'Christmas'! More details to follow.

## Science

This half term, we are learning about space. We will be finding out about the Sun, the planets and our solar system. We will be learning about day and night and the orbits of the different planets.

# English

This half term, we will be reading 'The Unforgotten Coat'. We will be writing in both 3rd and 1st person narratives for writing extracts of stories and diary entries. We will be embedding our learning of how to use fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases in our writing, as well as learning how to include subordinate clauses. We will also be completing guided reading lessons throughout the week to focus on our comprehension skills.



## In RE

Christmas Story

**Concept:** Different versions / views points of the story

**Key question:** Is the Christmas story true?

## Maths

This half term, we will continue to deepen their understanding of fractions, converting mixed fractions and improper fractions as well as adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators. We will also be learning about geometry (angles and properties of shapes) and well as measurement (mass and capacity).

Please continue to encourage your child to learn their times tables facts and also number facts for fluency (number bonds, doubles, near doubles) these may sound easy but if we know these facts it makes the harder concepts easier.

## Computing

We will be developing our understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices. We will consider small-scale systems as well as large-scale systems. We will be able to explain the input, output, and process aspects of a variety of different real-world systems. We will also take part in a collaborative online project with other class members and develop the skills of working together online.



## Home Learning

At this point in the year, we will be encouraging children to continue working on their times table facts and spelling the 3/4 and 5/6 spelling lists.

You will find that children may start to bring home some learning to help with any targets that they may have.