# **Autumn 2 Newsletter**





I hope you all have had a lovely half term break and are looking forward to an exciting term and the lead-up to Christmas.

"Time Team" involves the pupils identifying a famous person from the past who lived in their area. They will then focus on five key landmarks in their local village, town or city, undertaking research to find out important information about each one. Once the research has been completed, the pupils will be asked to put together their very own walking tour of their village, town or city which they will host for the chosen famous person from the past.

# **English**

Our English lessons this term will be based on our topic and science units. The children will begin with an information unit, before moving onto creating biographies about famous footballer, Walter Tull.

Later in the term, the children will be writing diary entries based on the theme of migration, before finishing the term with the opportunity to write some Christmas poetry.

## Maths

This term, year 5 will be focusing on fractions and finishing the term by revisiting multiplication and division. Year 6 will be studying converting units, ration and statistics.

This will be supported by group work, videos, worksheets and mini assessments throughout the different units.

We will also be continuing the Key Skills lessons on a Friday.

#### Science

Science this term will focus on animals including humans, where the children will learn to name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. They will also learn about the impact of diet and exercise on the human body.

### Homework

Children will continue to be set homework and spellings each week, due in on the following Thursday. Thank you for your valued support in ensuring that your child has sufficient time to complete their homework. Please could I also ask that children are reading regularly at home with an adult, and this is recorded in their reading diaries. Children will be reminded to take reading books and diaries home daily.

## PE, swimming and Forest School

The children will have Swimming on a Wednesday PM and their PE lesson will be on a Tuesday afternoon. The children will be learning team sports in their PE sessions. There will be no Forest School this term. This is due to the children having swimming lessons this half term.

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct kit and brings swimming kit on those days.

## **Foundation subjects**

These will be taught in our overall topics of the term ("Time Team", "Football Hero" and "Been around the World"). The children will do a local history and geography study in their "Time Team" topic. The children will also have the opportunity to study online safety in their computing lessons.

Remember to follow our Facebook page to keep up to date with what your child is learning. We regularly share photographs of our children enjoying their time in school.