

# Year 5 Newsletter – Autumn 1

## Welcome back!

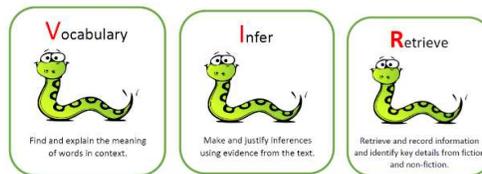
Mrs Morgan and Mrs Bradley hope you have had a lovely summer break and are ready for the term ahead. We have lots of exciting topics to study this term.

## Spelling and Reading



We have spelling lessons each Tuesday and Thursday. Children will be given new spellings each week to be practised at home.

The adults in our class love to read, we hope you do too. This year we will continue to use Reading Vipers to help us with our guided reading. These can be used at home when reading too. In our guided reading lessons this term we will be focusing on the vocabulary, infer and retrieve vipers.



## Writing



We will link our History and Geography work to our English writing as we will write an explanation text about pyramids, a diary entry in the role of Howard Carter, the day he discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun and instructions about how to prepare a mummy.

## Maths



In maths this term we will look at place value of digits up to 10 million as well as mental and written methods of the four operations: addition and subtraction, multiplication and division.

## Science



Our science topic is 'Marvellous mixtures, all change'. In this topic we will look at how we can separate solids and liquids as well as conducting experiments about the rate solids dissolve. We will also investigate reversible and irreversible changes.



## Computing

In computing we will be learning to use Microsoft Word. We will learn how to insert images them as well as adding text and considering how best to present a final document.



### Geography/History



In history we will be learning about ancient Egypt. We will look at pharaohs and gods, life in Egypt and how they wrote. We will also be finding out about pyramids, tombs and mummification. We might even mummify something ourselves! In geography we will learn about the River Nile, it uses and the settlements along it.



### MFL

In French we will be looking at school and subjects. We will learn to speak as well as write sentences about this in French.

### Music



In music we will be looking at classic 1980's rock music. Each week we listen and appraise a song and learn to perform Livin' on a Prayer by Bon Jovi. We will also be learning to read music and play the glockenspiel to accompany our final performance.



### PE

Monday – Outdoor PE

Tuesday – Indoor PE

On PE days please wear tracksuit bottoms or shorts and an academy PE top. Don't forget to wear trainers.



### Homework Project



Weekly homework will be set each Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. If children are unsure about any part of their homework they should ask an adult on either Friday or Monday so we can help them.

Remember too to hand in your holiday homework project. We are looking forward to creating a fabulous display in the classroom with these.



### Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



### Times Tables Rockstars



### Spelling Shed



### Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



### Class information

**Class Teacher:** Mrs Morgan

**Teaching Assistants:** Mrs Bradley

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day and when the weather is warmer a sun hat and sun cream.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

### Dates for the diary!

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Autumn Term starts

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 9am – Year 5 parents welcome meeting

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Individual school photographs

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>/Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Parents' evenings

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October – school closes for Half Term

