



## Year 5 Summer 1 Newsletter

### Meet the Team



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### Topic Overview & Key Text

This term we continue to adopt a text-based approach to our literacy and topic lessons. This half term, our book will be 'Darkest Dark' by Chris Hadfield.

### Writing

In this literacy unit, children will learn about the life of Chris Hadfield and his journey to becoming an astronaut. Children will learn how to write a formal biography ensuring they use linked and cohesive paragraphs, parenthesis and accurate punctuation.

The children will use these grammatical techniques to complete a 'hot write' at the end of the unit showcasing everything they have learnt.

### Maths

This term we will be continuing our work on fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also draw and measure angles in degrees. Children will develop their reasoning and problem solving skills as well as ensuring they are secure with all times tables.

### Reading

Alongside the key text, we will focus on other texts linked to the topic in our daily reading lessons. The children will have a scheme reading book pitched at their own level and will have opportunities to choose their own Reading for Pleasure books, to share at home.

### Homework

Homework will be set online (Seesaw) on a Thursday and must be completed by the next Tuesday. It will include spellings and maths. Spellings will be tested on a Tuesday. Every child is also expected to read for at least 20 minutes each day at home. Please read with your child and make a comment in their reading record.

### Year 5

We will be continuing with our thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

**Science:** Children will work scientifically to ask questions regarding movements of the Sun, Earth and Moon.

**Art:** Children will look at the effect of light on objects and explore the use of texture in colour.

**History:** Children will understand The Space Race and its importance on the world. They will then discuss if the moon landing was real or a hoax by America using sources to support their views

**Music:** Children will learn about the composer Gustav Holst (1874 – 1934) and his composition 'The Planets Suite' (focus on 'Mars').

**PSHE:** Children will learn how to prevent the spread of infection

**RE:** Children will explore the question: What does it mean to be a Sikh or Muslim in Britain today?



## Year 5 Routines

School re-opens for all pupils on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April

<b>Mondays</b>	<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Thursdays</b>	<b>Fridays</b>
	Spelling Test  Homework Completed	Times Table Test  PE – please bring a pair of trainers to change into.	Homework set on Seesaw	Golden Time

School closes for the end of term on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May and reopens on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Please note there is a Bank Holiday on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May therefore school will be closed on this day.