



Year 5 Newsletter - Autumn Term 2 2023-24

Dear families,

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with information and reminders which we hope you and your child will find useful.

In our year group this term we will have the following adults;

Chatsworth – Miss Barlow

Cliveden – Miss Frensemeyer

Hughenden – Mrs Munday

Manderston – Mr Fuller (Year Leader)

Mr Raynor will be teaching some of our lessons including PE. Mrs Johnson will be teaching and supporting across the year group.

Maths

We will begin the half term by revising how to multiply and divide whole numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. Following this, we will be learning how calculate perimeter and area and use these skills to solve different types of problems, compare and estimate. We will then be moving onto to formal methods of multiplication and division, learning how to use written method to multiply up to 4-digits by a 2-digit number and how to divide up to 4-digits by a 1-digit number.

Reading

Our SQUIRT text this half term is the novel 'Who Let the Gods Out' by Maz Evans. While reading, we will be developing a variety of reading skills including; using the context to understand new vocabulary; predicting based on evidence and; sequencing and summarising main events.

Our reading comprehension lessons will focus on inference and we will be developing our inference skills and understand how to use clues in the text to support inferences.

English

This half-term, we will be writing a range of different texts based around Who Let the Gods Out. These will include a playscript, a persuasive letter, both a general recount and a diary entry as well as creating our own Ancient Greek inspired myth. In our writing skills lessons, we will be learning how to use different techniques to add detail and interest such as figurative language, a range of sentence types and parenthesis. During GPS sessions, we will learn about modal verbs and inverted commas.

Science

During this half term's topic of 'Materials', we will be looking at properties of materials and grouping and sorting a range of materials based on these properties. We will also have the opportunity to test the thermal conductivity and solubility of materials as well as the separating of mixtures. Finally, we will look at irreversible and reversible changes.



Primary Knowledge Curriculum

This half term will be focused on History and we will be learning about Ancient Greece. We will be introduced to Aristotle, Plato and Socrates and their influential ideas. In addition, we will learn about Alexander the Great's life, empire and legacy.

Our DT focus will be mechanical systems. We will be looking at various cam mechanisms before designing and making our own toy.

P.E.

Indoor PE this half term will focus on dance skills and developing our knowledge of different movements, putting these together to form a sequence.

Outdoor PE will be centred around basketball and will focus on developing effective shooting and passing.

PE will take place on the following days:

Chatsworth – Wednesday (Outdoor) and Thursday (Indoor)

Cliveden – Tuesday (Indoor) and Wednesday (Outdoor)

Hughenden – Wednesday (Outdoor) and Thursday (Indoor)

Manderston – Tuesday (Indoor) and Wednesday (Outdoor)

Please ensure your child has the correct PE uniform in school on their PE days.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle (containing only water) with them every day. It is important for children to stay hydrated as part of their general well-being.

Snacks

The school continues to acknowledge the importance of good nutrition as an aid to learning. Therefore, can we please remind you that any snacks for break should be healthy e.g. fruit or vegetables.

We look forward to another super term ahead!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Fuller, Miss Frensemeyer, Mrs Munday and Miss Barlow