



Dear families,

Welcome to autumn term in Year 5. We have an exciting term ahead!

The adults supporting your children in class are as follows:

5D: Mrs Daly and Mrs Chisnall

5RG: Mrs Ransome, Miss Gibson and Miss Rayment

P.E days are Wednesday and Thursday. Please send your children into school in their P.E kit on these days.

### **English**

In writing we will be producing an explanation text and a non-chronological report. We will be reading the books 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio and 'Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief' by Rick Riordan to develop our vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation and summarising skills.

Spellings will be taught, investigated and practised in lessons and should be learned in preparation for a spelling test at the end of the half term.

### **Maths**

In maths, we will be focusing on place value, column methods of addition and subtraction and multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1,000. Towards the end of the term, we will look at fractions including recognising equivalent fractions, converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and adding/subtracting fractions.

### **Science**

This half term, our topic will be 'Animals including humans'. We will explore the main stages of the human lifecycle and the changes we go through, comparing the similarities and differences humans undergo in each developmental stage. As part of our topic 'Forces' in autumn 2, we will be investigating what forces are, the importance of gravity, air and water resistance and look at different examples of mechanisms.

### **Other subjects**

Our topic this term is Greece. To begin, we will examine the location and culture in modern day Greece and later in the term, we will travel back in time to study Ancient Greek key achievements.

In PSHE, we will be learning about how to be the best person you can be, as well as how to inspire, empathise and help others. After half term, we will be learning how to celebrate diversity in our society and the ways in which we can promote positivity among different cultures.

In art, we will study the artists Frida Kahlo and Henry Moore. We will focus on drawing, colour and sculptures and by the end of the term we will have produced a self-portrait and a mod roc sculpture.