



# Pankhurst Year 5

Autumn 2 2023 Newsletter



Welcome back to Year 5, we are all very excited about the term ahead. We have lots of exciting plans.

## What we are learning

Our topic this half term is 'The Great, The Bold, and The Brave - How did WWI change the world?'

**English:** Our first unit is Historical Fiction. We will be telling the stories from the trenches based on our history learning. We then be writing informal letters from the trenches using our class novel for inspiration.

**Maths:** Our Maths learning will focus on Fractions this half term. This will include equivalent fractions, converting fractions, comparing fractions, ordering fractions, adding fractions and subtracting fractions.

**Science:** Our Science topic this half term is Properties of Materials and our Key Scientist is Stephanie Kwolek (Chemist)

**History:** We will be learning about World War I and its impact on the world.



## Our class novel this half term is **Private Peaceful** by Michael Morpurgo.

Set during World War I, Private Peaceful charts eight hours in the life of Tommo, a young soldier at the Front as he looks back over the formative events of his life: his father's early death, his relationship with his loving mother and brothers, Big Joe and Charlie, and their beloved school friend Molly.

## Dates for your diary

Meeting for new Rec children  
starting in Sep 2024, 14th Nov  
5.30pm

Year 5 Forest School day 24th Nov

FOKF School Christmas Disco  
Wednesday 6th December after  
school

Music Performance Wednesday 13th  
December 2.45pm

Pantomime Trip Friday 15th  
December

Christmas Celebration Friday 15th  
December from 3.15pm

Christmas Lunch and Christmas  
Jumper Day Thursday 21st  
December

FOKF Christmas Film Night Thursday  
21st December 3.15pm - 5.30pm

KS2 Singing carols on the  
playground (all parents/carers  
warmly invited) Friday 22nd  
December 2.30pm

## Our Values this half term are:

Respect & Thankfulness

To appreciate the beauty and bounty of the world around us and  
to value the families, gifts and opportunities that we have been  
given.

## PE Days

Please send your child into school in their PE Kit  
on **Wednesdays and Thursdays**.

Please ensure kits meet our uniform  
requirements (no wording or branding other  
than the school badge). Earrings will need to be  
removed.

## Homework

Homework plays a key part in your child's learning  
and we expect that all children complete their  
homework weekly.

- Reading. Children should be reading daily at home.
- TTRockstars (30 minutes a week)
- Spelling Shed (30 minutes a week)

Let your light shine - Matthew 5:15-16

From Mrs. Bembridge, Mrs Maguire, Miss Bingley and  
Mrs Peace