



# Pankhurst - Year 5



Summer 1 Newsletter



We hope you enjoyed the Easter break.

It's hard to believe that the summer term is already here. The children have come back raring to go and we are looking forward to the next seven weeks.

Mrs Wolterman, Mrs Maguire, Mrs Peace, Mrs Keetley and Miss Bingley (Team Year 5)

Our Christian Values



Our Christian values this term are: Forgiveness and Respect

## What are we Learning?

Our key questions for this half term are: Is there anyone out there? Does the moon change shape?

Following on from our fascinating visit from Dr Frank Soboczenski before Easter, our science topic this half term will be Space.

In English, we'll be writing a set of instructions for caring for a pet dragon, followed by a narrative inspired by 'Cosmic' to tie in with our space topic. We will then be writing a biography during the second part of the half term, again looking at scientists who inspire us.

Our maths focus will be on consolidating our understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages, before moving on to shape, area, perimeter and statistics.

In science we are learning about Earth and space. We will be answering questions such as: How do we know the our planet is a sphere? What is the movement of the planets and the moon?

We will be learning about UK geography with a focus on map reading. In RE, we will be exploring what it is like to grow up as a muslim in the UK.

In art, our inspirational artist this term is Henri Rousseau, and we will be creating 3D rainforest dioramas.

In computing we finding out about creative media with a focus on vector graphics.



## What are we reading?

We are still enjoying 'When the Sky Falls' by Phil Earle.



Our new book is 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell-Boyes

# Homework

Each week, the homework expectation is:

- Complete the spelling assignment on EdShed/Spelling Shed
- Complete 30 minutes per week on TTRockstars
- To read each day, with their school book.

There will be TTRockstars Club on Wednesday lunchtimes and Spelling Club on Friday lunchtimes to help support anyone who cannot access the apps that week.

Children may be asked to attend the clubs if they do not do the homework.

If you have lost your login details or cannot access EdShed or TTRockstars, please let us know as soon as possible.

# Reminders



Our P.E. days are now Tuesdays and Thursdays. Children need to come into school in their P.E. kits. All jewellery must be removed for PE, including earrings.

Long hair should be tied back in school.

Please send your child to school with their own water bottle each day.

Snacks at breaktime should be either fresh fruit or vegetables.



# Upcoming dates



Parents evenings for those who still haven't had one are now on Tuesday 23rd and Tuesday 30th April.

Please book your appointments via the online system.

# Musician of the month



This half term we will be learning about and listening to music from the following artists:

April - Coldplay

If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to any member of the Year 5 team.