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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Year 5 Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Summer Term 1 2024**

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely break.

#### **Reading:**

Our class readers this half term are 'The Mysteries of Harris Burdick' by Chris Van Allsburg and 'A River' by Marc Martin. We will also be using 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold in our Guided Reading lessons. Please read with your child on a daily basis and make an entry in their reading diary. Book bags and reading diaries should be brought in **everyday** to support the Accelerated Reader programme we are running in school. Reading is monitored by teachers weekly and feedback is given to children.

#### **Spellings:**

We will continue to work on the statutory word list for Years 5 / 6, as well as focusing specifically on homophones, the etymology of words and personal spelling lists.

#### **Maths:**

This half term we will be learning about statistics and then move onto shape, position and direction. Please continue to encourage your child to regularly practise their times tables on TT Rockstars. You can access the Times Tables Rockstars website via our school website or at: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/29424>.

There are also more activities on Education City (<https://educationcity.com/>) which will support children with learning their tables.

#### **Home Learning Projects:**

This term our projects are based on our Geography topic of 'Rivers' and our Science unit 'Living Things and their Habitats'. Please have a look at the attached sheet which includes some starter ideas for projects that you can complete at home with your child. Please send these into school with your child so they can then be shared with the rest of the class.

#### **PE:**

Children will need to wear clothing suitable for PE on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays**. Monday's lesson will be rounders, which will be outside, and Wednesday's lesson will be dance or water safety, which will be inside. We believe that children can nearly always take part in a PE lesson in some capacity if they are able to attend school. Our policy is that children will take part in PE lessons unless a doctor's note advises in writing against it. Please make sure your child wears suitable clothing for these days including trainers or plimsolls. Additionally, children will need to remove earrings and long hair must be tied back for PE lessons.

#### **General Reminders:**

- Please make sure your child brings a labelled water bottle into school every day.

Thank you for your continued interest and support. Please do remember that we are available briefly at the end of the day should you need to speak to us.

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs MacDonald and Miss Bright  
Year 5 teachers