

January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,  
**SPRING TERM 2024**

Happy New Year! We hope you have had a lovely Christmas break and are ready to go into the second term of Year 5. The spring term in Year 5 promises to be very exciting as we have a range of experiences and activities planned including our Shakespeare project. We will be getting ready for our performance of 'Romeo and Juliet' and organising roles within the next few weeks. We are also looking forward to our planned residential to Stratford in February.

Our topic work this term is history based, looking at Ancient Greece; science will cover Life Cycles. Literacy this term includes a narrative, Shakespeare, and work on scripts. We will continue to do a variety of activities including drama, extended writing, comprehension work, grammar and weekly spelling work.

Numeracy continues daily with topics including place value, problem solving, multiplication and division, fractions and decimals, shape and space, angles and arithmetic. Please join us in encouraging and helping your children to learn and *apply* their times tables (e.g. by knowing "5 x 6 = 30, so 30 ÷ 6 = 5, 30 ÷ 5 = 6 and 32 ÷ 6 = 5r2).

Other topics include:

- Art/D&T - Moving Shakespearean Puppets and their sets
- PSHE - Celebrating Differences and Dreams & Goals
- MFL - Spanish
- PE - Dance, Swimming and Fencing
- Music - Practising for our Shakespeare performance-songs
- Computing - Crumble mi
- RE - What Matters to Christians, Beliefs and Questions (Islam and Hinduism)

This term and next term, we will be going swimming as a class. Each class will have three, one-hour sessions. These sessions will be on Fridays and the children will be in the pool from 1:30pm-2:30pm. These sessions will be 5H 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of March, 5CH 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> April and 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

Reminders

Tuesday and Wednesday - P.E

Wednesdays - Homework in

Please could you continue to read with your child every night, learn weekly spellings and practise times tables

Dates for your diary

Stratford Residential parent's meeting - 6<sup>th</sup> February at 5pm

Romeo and Juliet Performance - Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm

Please feel free to come and meet with us if there is anything you wish to discuss. We look forward to a good term.

Yours sincerely,  
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