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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is a pleasure to welcome you back to school. I hope you had a relaxing summer holiday. I am looking forward to getting to know your child and working with you, and their class teacher, to ensure they make excellent progress. The aim of this newsletter is to keep you informed of your child's learning and help you understand how you can support your child at home. If you have any questions please see your child's class teacher or myself.

Thank you,

Ms H. Carlile (Deputy Head)

Year 5 – AUTUMN TERM 1		
<p><u>Creative Curriculum</u> Our Topic is 'The Roman Empire'. In this unit we will be learning about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roman settlements and different types of land use. • Key aspects of human geography. • Famous Roman landmarks. • The distribution of natural resources including energy, food and water. • Different aspects of Roman culture and the life-style of the Roman soldier. • Creating Roman artefacts from clay modelling. <p><u>English</u> In English this half term we will be looking at the following topics:</p> <p><u>Writing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report writing- we will be 	<p><u>Grammar</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using adverbial phrases • Sentence openers. • Apostrophes for contraction. • Paragraphs • Suffixes and prefixes <p><u>Maths</u> The children will be studying place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, and geometry. This half term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Count forwards and backwards in powers of 10 for any given number up to 1 million. • Place value; ordering, rounding adding and subtracting large numbers • Add and subtract whole numbers with more than 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add and subtract mentally using increasingly large numbers. • Multiply and divide whole numbers and decimals by 10, 100 and 1000. • Estimate and measure acute, obtuse and reflex angles in degrees. <p><u>Science</u> Our topic this half term is 'Properties and changes of Materials'. Children will learn to observe and compare the three states of matter and will learn about reversible and irreversible changes.</p> <p>They will learn to choose appropriate materials and justify their reasoning.</p>

<p>learning the different features of newspaper writing which will support their independent writing at the end of the unit.</p>	<p>four digits using the column method.</p>	
<p>How you can support your child at home</p>		
<p>At the end of each school day ask your child to tell you what they've been learning.</p> <p>During the course of this half term your child may be asked to bring in items to make costumes. Please help them to collect these.</p> <p><u>English</u> Encourage your child to read every day and to talk about what they have read. Read different newspaper articles and bring into school any particular article of interest. Go to the local library and ensure your child is choosing a suitably challenging book across a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry.</p>	<p>Please encourage your child to sign in to their reading accounts on Bug Club every day. Reading daily will improve your child's comprehension and writing skills.</p> <p><u>Maths</u> Daily practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • estimating the answers to calculations by rounding. • times tables up to 12 x 12 <p>Encourage your child to make their own maths problems to solve, as well as playing maths games using the websites below.</p>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>Encourage your child to observe changes in everyday life, for example the steam (water vapour) that is created whilst the kettle is boiling or watching how the ice in a glass of water changes as it is warmed up by its surroundings.</p> <p>You could use science clips on the BBC website to help the children use the correct vocabulary to describe these changes. Also, encourage them to explain their ideas as to why these changes occur.</p>
<p>Other information</p>		
<p><u>Homework</u> Please ensure your child is reading every day. Use the reading journals to help communicate with your child's class teacher about what they are reading. English homework will be given out on Fridays for the children to return to school the following Thursday. Maths homework will be set once a week by your child's maths teacher with a clear deadline by which it must be returned. New spellings will be given out each week for children to practice for a test the following week.</p> <p><u>PE</u> Please ensure your child has their full PE kit, including black plimsolls, on Monday and Friday.</p> <p><u>ECAM:</u> Instruments lessons began on Monday 18th September and they will be every Monday until Monday 5th December. Please return your signed instrument contract, if you haven't already done so, and encourage your child to practise their chosen instrument at home.</p> <p><u>Trips</u> We are planning some educational visits; details will be sent out closer to the date.</p> <p><u>Dates for your diary</u> 19th September Parent Meeting Tuesday 26th European day of Languages Friday 22th September: Jeans for Genes Day Friday 29th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning</p>		

October: Black History Month

w/c Monday 3rd October: Y5 and Y6 tests

Tuesday 3th October: Individual and family photos

Friday 20st October: last day of Autumn 1

Saturday 21st-Sunday 29th October: Half term holiday

Monday 30st October: first day of Autumn 2

Useful websites

www.mathszone.co.uk/

www.transum.org

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/physical_processes/