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Dear Parents and Carers,

Tuesday 31st October 2017

Welcome back. I hope you all had a restful half term. As the weather gets colder please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately when they come to school. I hope the information below helps to ensure that you know what your child is learning at school this half term and provides you with helpful suggestions as to how to support them. If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher or myself.

Thank you
Ms H. Carlile
Deputy Head Teacher

Year 5 – AUTUMN TERM 2		
<p><u>English</u> Your child will continue to have comprehension lessons split classes and class based guided reading and spelling lessons.</p> <p>This half term in English we will be learning about classical narrative poetry and play scripts. We will be covering the highway man, which will include using figurative language, rhythm and rhyme patterns. In grammar we will be covering, semi colons and figurative language in detail.</p>	<p><u>Maths</u> In maths we will be learning:</p> <p>Multiplication and division, including,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prime numbers, multiples and factors, prime numbers identifying, recognising and using squared and cube numbers. <p>Measure and statistics including,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure and calculate the perimeter of shapes in cm and meters • Calculate and compare the area of rectangles including squares. • Estimate the area of irregular shapes • Using the correct unit of measure. 	<p><u>Creative Curriculum and Science</u> Our topic this term is 'Earth and Space'. We will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describing the movement of the Earth and other planets; • Using the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night; • Learning about the life-cycle of a star; • Finding out why there are craters on the Moon; • Researching travel in space; • Using atlases to identify the southern and northern hemispheres, the Arctic and Antarctic circles.
How you can support your child at home		
Children to try and read a	When completing homework	Calculators are not used for

<p>range of poems. Look at song lyrics, what features of poetry can they identify. They can then contribute their ideas in the English lessons.</p> <p>Join the local library and loan books about planets and poetry books. Reading these will help to inform the children's learning.</p>	<p>it's important that children have access to a dictionary and thesaurus. This enables them to check their spelling and encourages them to use more complex vocabulary. Both of these are vital skills for children to up-level their work.</p>	<p>SATs tests and children should not be using them to complete their maths homework. However, access to a calculator at home will enable children to check their calculations quickly and re-do any calculations that they have got wrong. Help your children learn and/or practise the times tables up to 12 x 12.</p>
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Other information

Homework

Please ensure your child is reading every day. Homework will continue to be sent out on Fridays for the children to return to school the following Thursday. Your child should also be encouraged to practise their instrument regularly.

PE

Please ensure that your child has their full PE kit, including black plimsolls, on:
 MF7 and TF6 : Monday and Friday
 TF7: Wednesday Thursday

ECAM:

Please be aware that music lessons for year 5 children begin at **8am every Monday morning**. All children are expected to attend. Children that display good musical talent maybe select to perform before the Queen. The last music lesson before the Christmas break will be on **Monday 4th December** and lessons resume on **Monday 8th January 2018**.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 9th November: Y5 Parent Consultation Day
 Anti-bullying week 13th November 2017
 Children in need Friday 17th November 2017
 Road safety week 20th November 2017
 Friday 24th November: International Evening
 Week commencing Monday 28th November: Y5 and Y6 tests
 Monday 4th December last music lesson before Christmas for year 5 children
 Thurs 7th December: Christmas dinner
 Tuesday 12th December 2017 Pantomime visit
 Thursday 14th December 2017 TF7's class assembly
 Friday 15th December: Christmas jumper day
 Tuesday 19th December: End of year parties
 Wednesday 20th Last day of term

Useful websites

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zkbbkqt>
<http://www.kidsastronomy.com/earth.htm>
<http://www.planetsforkids.org/planet-earth.html>
<http://www.mathsisfun.com>
<http://www.topmarks.com>
<http://bbcbitesizeearthspace.com>