



Year 5 Learning Letter

Friday 13th January 2023

Edition No. 7

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and we wish you all a Happy New Year. We would like to **thank you SO MUCH** for all the lovely gifts and cards we received. We were all very touched by your generosity and kindness.

Year 5 Staff Team.

A few handy hints to support your child's learning:

- sharing reading time at home
- practising spellings regularly, especially the spelling rules and remembering Spellzone weekly activities.
- encouraging your child to develop instant recall of all times tables.
- this terms KIRF is Prime numbers to 20.

Homework

We will continue to set spelling tasks for homework on Spellzone. Please let us know if you have any problem accessing it.

Spelling

Our new spelling rule, words which end in: ant, ance, ancyl, ent, ence and ency.

observant	substantial	confident
observance	innocent	confidence
observation	innocence	confidential
expectant	decent	apparent
expectation	decency	hesitation
hesitant	frequent	tolerant
hesitancy	frequency	tolerance
		substance

Over the next two weeks we will be:

- working on multiplication and division methods
- continuing our history unit based on the Ancient Maya civilisation.
- exploring the poems of Benjamin Zephaniah.
- forest school activities including cooking.
- Investigating the Earth and beyond.
- creating databases in computing.
- the planets in French
- thinking about architecture big and small

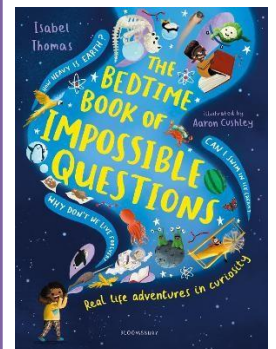
Classroom Comfort:

As we continue to ventilate the classrooms by opening doors and windows regularly at break-times, it can get quite cold inside. Layers are the key to our comfort. Please encourage your child to put an extra layer on under their uniform if they feel they need it.

Reading Zone Festival will visit school, with author Isabel Thomas, on February 7th. <https://www.readingzone.com/authors/isabel-thomas>

Reading Zone will offer discounted copies of the book to families, on behalf of the author and publisher, prior to her event. You can find out more about The Bedtime Book of Impossible Questions, here:

<https://www.readingzone.com/books/the-bedtime-book-of-impossible-questions/>



Swimming & PE

Both classes are continuing swimming in the Spring Term as follows: small group- Wednesday 10:20-11am - Main groups Friday Skylarks 9am -11am, Nightingales 1-3pm. It is suggested that children may want to bring 2 towels during these cooler months. Please encourage your child(ren) to take responsibility for remembering the appropriate clothing - on the correct days! - for swimming and PE.

