



Year 5 Learning Letter

Friday 12th January 2024

Edition No. 8

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.

Mrs Boyer, Mrs Warshawski, Mrs Wright, Miss Olney, Ms Dillon, Mrs Baker and Mrs Goodwin

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, ancy, 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 and Mandy Coe.
- Investigating the Earth and space in Science and French!
- creating databases in computing.
- thinking about our dreams and goals in PSHE

Classroom Comfort:

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.

Swimming, PE and outdoor learning

Both classes are continuing swimming in the Spring Term as follows: small group- **Tuesdays 1pm** - Main groups Fridays 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 to take responsibility for remembering the appropriate clothing - on the correct days! - for swimming and PE.

Our main Forest School sessions have sadly come to an end for Year 5, though we will endeavour to take our learning outside as much as possible. The small group Nurture sessions will continue on a **Thursdays at 11am**. You will have been sent a letter if you child is part of this group.