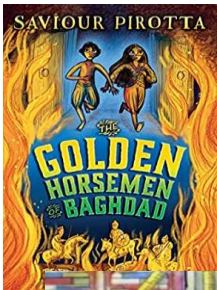


Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2024

Welcome back!

We all welcome you back and hope you have had a restful half term. We are really looking forward to a brand-new term full of exciting learning.



Our Topic this Term:

This half term, our History topic is focused on The Golden Age of Islam: ancient Islamic civilisation. We will study the greatest achievements of this era and compare these to concurrent eras that we have previously studied in Year 3 and 4. In Science, we will be building on our knowledge of forces: understanding how living things move and react. Our Art topic will be based on Kehinde Wiley! This term, we also begin our PSHE learning, based on how we live in the wider world, looking at finances, careers and first aid.

English

In English this term, we are reading 'The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad' by Saviour Pirotta, a story which follows a young boy on a journey to find a way to pay his rent. It is set during the Golden Age of Islam, allowing children a fictional story to support their History knowledge. They will begin the term by analysing the descriptive language in the text to help us write detailed narratives. Then we will move on to create a travel leaflet exploring non-fiction features. Our grammar learning from last term will also develop our writing.

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing our learning on multiplication and division and fractions. We begin by completing our multiplication learning before moving on to fractions, which will really require children to know their times tables. It is imperative that children are practising their times tables on a daily basis at home. A minimum of 3 minutes each day is required for the children to be successful.

Home Learning

Learning at home and our Home Learning Journal, enables children, parents and teachers to communicate regularly. We cannot stress enough the importance of regular reading. We recommend that children read with an adult every evening for about half an hour. Please encourage your child to apply their reading skills in everyday scenarios and ensure that your child brings their home learning journal to school every day. The children will also have spellings which they will need to practise daily for a quiz on Fridays.

Uniform and P.E. kit

Sweatshirts are available to purchase online, via our school website. Children should wear black or grey trousers or skirts. Please label all items of clothing with your child's name and support us by ensuring that your child does not wear jewelry, nail varnish or short skirts. Boys should not have any patterns shaved into their hair. For P.E, children should wear black shorts/tracksuit bottoms, black/blue t-shirts and trainers/plimsolls. Football shirts are not acceptable PE kit.

**Thank you for your continued support,
Miss Daley Miss Quartano Ms Flanagan**