



Dear Parents/Carers

Year 5 – Curriculum Information – Terms 1 and 2

# Welcome Year

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Our humanities focus is **Reign Over Us**. The children will use the internet, pictures and a range of other sources to establish the history of Britain's rule and how it has developed over time. Starting with the Vikings and Anglo-Saxon era, to life today. They will use their research skills to develop an understanding of the rule of law. They will take on the role of researchers to find key information about the past.

In the core curriculum, we are learning in groups and will be teaching writing, reading and maths in specialist groups.



Writing Skills!

In writing, we will be studying Roald Dahl, concentrating on Danny Champion of the World, as well as a variety of different genres. The pupils will concentrate on the features of the texts they are studying, language choice and accuracy of punctuation. They will also be focusing on using their senses to describe settings and broadening the vocabulary they use to create a clear picture. In term 2, the pupils will progress onto using a range of writing skills based around the story of Carrie's War.



Reading Skills!

In reading, we will also be studying Roald Dahl and using retrieval skills to help the pupils answer questions about the text. They will broaden their understanding of a text through inference and context clues to comprehend the author's meaning. The pupils will use their skills from year 4, to support them with reading aloud to extend their fluency, intonation and projection. Using a range of spelling strategies, the children will extend their vocabulary to become more confident writers and understand the meaning of words.



## Maths Skills!

In maths, we will be focusing on solidifying known place value skills to help the pupils understand the value of each number they use. The children will work on written and mental strategies for addition, subtractions, multiplication and division to solve problems in real life scenarios. In addition we will be furthering their times tables knowledge using a range of strategies to build on confidence.

In **Science**, we will be looking at the Earth and Space, supporting the pupils understanding of the Earth, Moon, Sun and the motion of the solar system. We will have a visit from the Astrodome to forward their knowledge.

In **ICT**, the children will become Bloggers. They will be learning how to communicate and publish data. In term 2 we will look at digital media, programming and control.

**PE** topics are Tag Rugby and dance. Our PE sessions are timetabled on Friday mornings where in terms 1 and 2, Elm class will be going swimming, while Conifer and Hawthorn carry out their PE lessons in school. Please remember to bring in your full kit and sensible footwear. Also a reminder to not wear earrings and to bring a hair tie for longer hair.

**RE** topic for the term will be Christianity. Building on children's knowledge of different beliefs.

In **French** we will continue to develop our vocabulary with an emphasis on speaking.



## Home Learning

At least 10 minutes of a text must be read every night and signed by an adult, in contact books. Any reading done at home should be logged in their reading record books. This could be a magazine/newspaper article, online research, favourite story, etc. As well as encouraging our children to read at home each evening, we also expect the children to practice their timetables and spelling strategies. These will be looked at on Friday's. In addition, our main homework will be a learning project linked to our Humanities topic.

Thank you for your ongoing support with your child's homework.

If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to come in to see us and we'd be happy to talk with you.

We hope you and your child enjoy learning together in partnership with all the staff at Twydall Primary School.

With regards

The Year 5 Team.

