

Year 5/6 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2

The Year 5/6 Teaching Team

Class 7



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Class 8

Class 9

English

During this term, both Years 5 and 6 will be developing their acting skills through one of the most famous scripts of all time: Charles Dickens - A Christmas Carol. Scrooge is visited by the ghost of Jacob Marley his former business partner, who arranges for a visit from the three spirits to show him the error of his ways. After their visits, Scrooge is transformed into a kinder, gentler man. We hope you enjoy our version (in the hall) on the **20th December at 14:00 - 15:00!**

Maths

We will be further developing and strengthening our knowledge of the four operations. UKS2 will focus on long multiplication and long division in the coming weeks. To help secure both formal methods, times table knowledge is imperative. In order to deepen pupils fluency skills (mental methods) Year 5 and 6 will also be practising times tables everyday. Please ask your child to show you the new TT Rock Stars website! Every pupil has their own log on!!

Forest Schools

In geography and history, through Forest Schools, we will be studying fossils and the Earth's geology. Specifically we will be investigating the forces that contribute towards earthquakes, the formation of mountains and volcanos. Essentially following in the footsteps of Darwin and his philosophy of naturalism.

Topic: The Victorians

This term Years 5 and 6 will continue exploring the Victorians. We will be studying the impact they had on modern day Britain through their numerous inventions. Furthermore, we will study the legacy they had on both the geography and history of this country and the world! We are very excited about our upcoming visits to Armley Mills!

Science/ DT/ Computing

As mentioned above we will be exploring some of the theories and discoveries of Charles Darwin and how they have illuminated mankind.

In DT and Art we will be using the patterns and creativity of William Morris to inspire our drawings.

It's all about e-safety in computing and ensuring that our children stay safe online!

Homework.

Maths, spelling and reading homework will go out every **Wednesday** and will need to be returned on the following **Monday**.

Please try to work with your child to facilitate their learning at home.

P.E.

We love PE in Year 5/6 and we have lots of exciting, energetic and, most importantly, fun activities planned for the year ahead! Therefore, it is really important that we are kitted out correctly. We suggest bringing PE kit into school on a Monday and taking it home to be washed on a Friday to avoid children without kit.

Dates for your Diary

14/11/18—Bar Modelling Work Shop for parents (2.00—3.00 pm)

14/11/18—PTA School Disco (6.15—7.15pm)

26/11/18—Class 8 and 9: Armley Mills Trip

28/11/18—Class 7 Armley Mills Trip

20/12/18—UKS2 Christmas Play (14.00—15.00)