# Year 5/6 Newsletter Summer 1

#### The Year 5/6 Teaching Team

Class 7

Miss Gellman



Mrs Horsley

Class 8



Mr Maldonado Mrs Tillotson

Class 9

Mr Kershaw



Mr Adamson

## English

During this term, Year 5 will be basing their English and Reading lessons on our topic: Natural Disasters. Our first write will be a non chronological report on Volcanoes. Year 6 are focusing on persuasive letter writing and will be writing to Mrs Hunter to persuade her to let them have a leavers discol Both Year 5 and 6 will be using role play to support their writing.

### Maths

We have been very impressed with UKS2's maths knowledge this year and we are going to continue to challenge ourselves through a variety of reasoning and problem solving activities. Year 5 will be focusing on fractions, translation and coordinates. Year 6 are going to be looking at 3D shapes and interpreting data from pie charts and line graphs.

#### Forest Schools

We will be deepening our understanding of our Geography topic through the medium of Forest Schools. Furthermore, we will be making our own towns and villages and exploring how wildfire spreads. This will be done at our fire pit as we set alight all of our creations.

## Topic: Natural Disasters

This term we are focusing our Topic on Natural Disasters. We will be exploring how various natural disasters happen and the powerful impact they have on both people and the environment. We will be focusing on past natural disasters to aid our learning. In addition to this, we will be looking at how we can predict if a natural disaster is about to take place.

## Science/Computing

Our science topic for this half term is Living Things and their Habitats. We will be learning about the difference in life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds. In addition to this we will be looking at the reproduction of both plants and animals.

In computing, we will be further expanding our understanding of maths and data and exploring how we cause different computer programs to create graphs and charts that represent our findings from surveys!

#### 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 have lots of exciting, energetic and, most importantly, fun activities planned for this term!

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

SATS Week: Week beginning 13:05.19
Training Day: 03:06.19

Year 6 Weardale Residential; 10:06.19—12.06.19 Year 5 Breary Marsh: 25.06.19 & 02.07.19