

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have a restful and enjoyable half term. Please find attached the curriculum map which gives you an outline of the areas we will be covering next term.

Next term we will be looking at *The Hobbit* by J.R.R Tolkien. This unit will be a mixture of reading the book and selected, age appropriate, clips from the film. We are aiming to give the children a mixture of stimulus for their creative writing from a variety of sources and we think that *The Hobbit* will provide the perfect platform. Our non-fiction writing will revolve around instruction and explanation texts.

P.E will be on a Monday and Thursday afternoon. Again, please ensure your child has their P.E kit on this day with an appropriate pair of shoes (trainers) and a waterproof coat if we go outside.

On a Wednesday afternoon, Hazel are taught by Ms Edwards. This is to cover our planning and preparation time. Next term Ms Edwards will be covering Art and RE.

Our Topic next term will be Geography where children will be learning to use a compass and develop their map reading skills. In Science we will be looking at living things and developing their independent research skills.

Please maintain support for your children at home by continuing to encourage the use of Mathletics and the completion of their homework. As a school we have also subscribed to the 'Readiwriter' program which is attached to Mathletics. Readiwriter allows the children to practice their spellings online through a variety of games and activities. Mathletics and Readiwriter can be used to supplement any paper-based homework in their homework books. The use of these platforms has great positive impact on the children's confidence and learning and we thank you for your consistent support.

If you have any questions or queries, then please do not hesitate to contact one of the Year 5 team.

Kind regards,

Ms Clark, Ms Taylor and Mr Fricker