



Welcome back!

We are delighted to welcome Year 5 back to school after the summer holidays. We hope you are all feeling rested and refreshed and we cannot wait to continue learning together. Remember, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with school. Thanks, Mrs Franklin and Mrs Dias.

ENGLISH

To start this term, the children will immerse themselves into the alternative fairytale 'The Sleeper and the Spindle,' by Neil Gaiman and explore the fairytale genre in their own writing. This will be followed by 'The Diver's Daughter,' which will inspire our Black History topic on the diver Jacques Francis.



MATHS



This term we will be consolidating our understanding of place value, comparing, ordering and rounding numbers up to 100,000. We will then explore mental and written methods to solve problems using the four operations, whilst consolidating the children's times table knowledge from Year 4.

GEOGRAPHY



Our topic this year will focus on the continent of South America where we will begin by understanding and describing physical geography including climate zones, biomes, vegetation, mountains, rivers and living things.

SCIENCE

Our Science topic this term is forces where we will explore gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction. Building on our knowledge from Year 3, we will be using magnets to repel and attract different materials.

HISTORY

We will be exploring in depth the ancient Islamic Empire, its greatest achievement and failures and its impact on modern society today.



CLASS NOTICES

PE days:

- Monday and Tuesday alternating with swimming.

Forest School:

- Wednesday (alternate weeks)



Home learning will be given to stick into home learning books every Monday; please make sure your child brings in their book.

Our next trips include Icthus church and the Science museum. Dates to be confirmed.

Please remember to send your child to school with a suitable coat and a **water bottle** each day. As it is getting colder, please remember to put names in all items of clothing so they can be easily identified.