



Welcome back!

We are delighted to welcome Year 5 back to school after the Easter 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 Ms Farmer.

ENGLISH

To start this term, the children will immerse themselves into the text, 'Shackleton's Journey by' by William Grill. They will develop non-fiction writing skills in order to write a newspaper article. We will then use Catherine Johnson's book, 'Freedom'. The children will write first and third person narratives to bring Jamaica and London in 1783 to life using figurative language.

GEOGRAPHY

As we continue to study the continent of South America, the children will look in more detail at the Amazon rainforest.



SCIENCE

Our Science topic this term is living things and their habitats. We will be learning about sexual and asexual reproduction in plants and comparing the life cycles of mammals, insects, reptiles, fish and amphibians. We will also observe the life cycle of butterflies.

HISTORY

Looking at the governing timeline of Britain, the children will use their prior knowledge to discuss and debate the different ways Britain's governance structure has changed, specifically the British Empire and the Slave Trade.

MATHS



In Maths this half term, we will be starting off by looking at statistics, looking especially at line graphs and data tables. We will continue by looking at shape and how it relates to position and direction. This will lead into looking at co-ordinates and plotting on a grid. We will end this half term by looking at decimals and how we can use our number bonds when adding and finding complements to 1.

CLASS NOTICES

PE days:

- Thursday (alternate weeks with Forest School) and Friday

Forest School:

- Monday (alternate weeks)

Homework will be given to stick into homework books every Friday; please make sure your child brings in their book.

Our trip dates are TBC.

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

