

# Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5 Term 2 2022/23

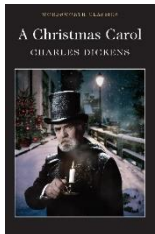
Welcome back to Term 2! We hope you all had a restful break and are ready to go for Term 2. The timetable will be posted on ClassDojo weekly so make sure you log in.

It is important your child brings in their **water bottle, reading bookmarks and books and a coat** every day! Please continue to log in to ClassDojo where you will be able to see the amazing learning taking place in and outside of our classroom and receive updates from all of us!

#### Dates for Term 2:

14<sup>th</sup> November: UK parliament week  
 14<sup>th</sup> November: Anti-bullying week  
 14<sup>th</sup> November: Odd socks day – wear your odd socks to school  
 16<sup>th</sup> November: Y5 Junction 3 library visit  
 18<sup>th</sup> November: Thangham Debbonaire Assembly  
 14<sup>th</sup> December: Dogs Trust visit  
 16<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of school

#### Readers and Authors



This term, we will study the book 'A Christmas Carol', which was written by Charles Dickens, was first published in 1843. We will be focussing on character development and the change in thoughts, feelings and motives throughout the story.

We will continue to practise and develop our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills within our writing sessions.

Alongside this, children will learn key reading skills including skimming and scanning a text to find information, making inferences, as well as how to answer questions that require the retrieval of facts from a text.

#### Mathematicians



In this term, we will be solving problems with statistics. We will collect, represent, analyse and question sets of data. After this, children will create bar charts, pictograms, line graphs and time tables to support their data collection. We will then move onto multiplication and division where we will multiply and divide by powers of ten and use related multiplication facts to solve problems.

Finally, we will calculate the area and perimeter of regular and compound shapes. We will use our multiplication facts to support this and reason with each other.

It is fundamental that your child continues to log into Times Tables Rockstars to continue their multiplication practise.

## We are Evergreen citizens

This term our jigsaw unit is 'Celebrating differences'. We will discuss Cultural differences and how they can cause conflict. We will explore the concepts of Rumours and name-calling and link this to types of bullying. Year 5 will be continuing with our learning about zones of regulation to support our behaviour choices individually and on the class as a whole.

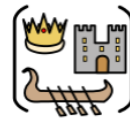


### We are scientists



As scientists we will be looking at **Forces**. We will link this to being designers and explore mechanisms such as pulleys, levers and gears.

We will recognise that these mechanisms allow a smaller force to have a greater effect. We will discuss and experiment with air and water resistance.



### We are historians

This term we will be travelling back to the Roman era. We will identify and discuss significant individuals within this time period. We will understand who lived when and where in Rome and the influence they had across the world. We will place dates in chronological order and use evidence from our learning to support this.



On a Thursday afternoon, children will be going swimming with Miss Minett and year 6. The children will need to bring towel and swimming clothes in a separate bag. We have 10 minutes of exercise daily so please make sure your children are wearing sensible school shoes.



We are continuing to use an individualised spelling programme across the school. Your children will have twenty spellings to learn every week as part of their homework and it is very important that they are supported to learn these before being tested on a Friday morning.



For homework, children have their weekly spelling list as outlined above. They will be set Timestable rockstars activities for them to access online at <https://play.ttrockstars.com/> We have a new library which the children will use every week. Children are expected to read for 20 minutes every day. Please support your child in encouraging them to read daily. Reading bookmarks will be checked on a Friday.

If you have any questions at all, please contact us through ClassDojo or speak with us at the door.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Dorse, Miss Minnet, Miss Carruthers and Miss Baker.