

Curriculum Newsletter

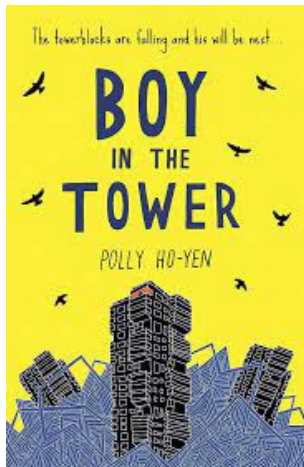
Year 5 - Term 2 2023/2024

Welcome back, I hope you had a great half term. I am excited to be back at school, with lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for term 2.

It is important your child brings in their **water bottle, reading books and a coat** every day!

In year 5 we are very proud of our learning so 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!

Readers and Authors

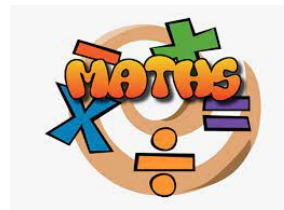


This term, we will study the book 'Boy in the tower, written by Polly Ho-Yen. This story will help us to think deeply about other people's lives and the future. We will be using this text to support our writing. We will focus on developing our spelling,

punctuation, and grammar skills within our writing sessions with a key focus on expanding our vocabulary choices.

Alongside this, children will learn key reading skills including retrieval, inference, and expression.

Mathematicians



This term, our math focus will be on short multiplication and short division. Year 5 have already shown

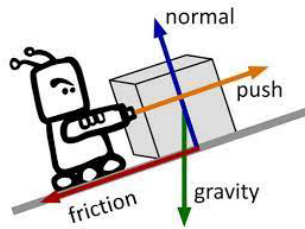
me their amazing timetables skill they have, and we will be building on this.

As well as this we will learn about negative numbers and continue to learn about money.

As always, please support at home by practising these with your child. We will be having a TT Rock stars champion of the week.

Scientists

In Science, the children will study forces. We will investigate gravity, friction, and air resistance. We will be conducting exciting experiments to help imbed our learning.



Historians



Last term we began exploring the Roman empire. This term we will be looking more closely at Roman soldiers and why they invaded Britain.



For Term 1 and 2, Year 5 will be going swimming on a Thursday afternoon. They will need to bring a full swimming kit – towel and swimming costume/shorts. Please also bring a **coat** on Thursday as we are walking to swimming and its starting to get colder and wetter.



We will continue to use spelling shed to support with spelling practice at home. Each week there will be 10 spellings to focus on. We will test their knowledge of every Friday morning. Each week we will have a spelling shed champion.



For homework, children have their weekly spelling list as outlined above. They will be set spelling shed activities to help support their practice of this. Additionally, they will be set Timestable rockstars activities for them to access online at <https://play.trockstars.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. We will check in class each morning by asking children if they read the night before.

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

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Plimbley