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Growing and Learning together  
to be the best we can be!  
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# Year 5 Newsletter

## Autumn First Half Term 2021

### English

Text Focus: Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce

- Research and write a newspaper report.
- Explore character's feelings and relationships.
- Using persuasive features of writing.
- Using adverbs to show degrees of possibility.
- Look at the use of modal verbs.
- Learn to use a wider range of clauses.
- Use a range of conjunctions.

### Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I know decimal number bonds to 1 and 10.

- Number: Place Value
  - Rounding
  - Roman Numerals
  - Negative Numbers
- Number: Addition and Subtraction
- Number: Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
  - Equivalent fractions
  - Ordering and Comparing
  - Addition and Subtraction

Times Tables Rock Star Focus:  $\times 4$ ,  $\times 6$ ,  $\times 8$ .

### Healthy Schools

#### Science

- Properties and changes of materials
- Different types of materials
- Solids, liquids and gases

#### P.E.

- Performing dances using a range of movements
- Creating body shapes and balances



### Topic

#### Key Focus Subject: History

#### Art

- Explore illustrations inspired by Sara Fanelli.
- Use collage to create Mythological Monster.
- Analyse the process used.

#### D.T.

- Research and taste Greek ingredients/food.
- Design and make a pitta bread meal as part of cooking and nutrition.

#### History

- Learn about life in Sparta and Athens and Ancient Greek culture.
- Discover the achievements of the Ancient Greeks.
- Understand Ancient Greek influence on the wider world.

#### Geography

- Investigate the process of erosion and the changing Greek coastline.
- Understand how geographical features formed on Greek coastlines.

### Important Information

Dates – Curriculum Evening **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September**.  
Parents' Evening **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October** and **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October**.

Bikeability w.c. **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October**.

PE – **Monday** – Holst 5 and Webber 5 / **Wednesday** – Lynn 5.

PE (all Y5 classes) – **Thursday**

Indoor and outdoor kits should stay in school. Please label all items. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters before school on your PE day.

Reading – Please read with your child at least three times a week and sign the reading diary to earn rewards.

Library – Our library times will vary within the week. Please ensure children bring their books in when they are ready to

### SMSC

Our Value this half term: Responsibility

Our Life Skill this half term: Mental Health

P.S.H.E.

- Being a citizen
- Rights and Responsibilities

R.E.

- Theme: Belief into action
- Religion: Sikhism

M.F.L.

- About Ourselves
- Describing a birthday celebration

### Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing techniques and mindfulness activities.

Computing

- Online safety, emails and attachments.

Music

- Living on a Prayer.