

## What are we learning this half term?

This half term, in Maths, Year 5 will be revisiting and recapping learning, focusing on Place Value and the Number System. Our arithmetic work will focus on Fractions; addition and subtraction.

In reading this half term, Year 6 will continue reading Polly Ho-Yen's 'Boy in the Tower'. Year 5 and 6 will also be reading 'Malamander' by Thomas Taylor. We will use these texts to help us develop key skills, such as retrieval, inference, deduction, summarizing and sequencing.

In our writing this half term, we will continue with our are short writes, writing about Despicable Me and Coco. SPaG will focus on advanced punctuation and complex sentences.

## P.E Dates

In P.E this half term, we will be refining our Athletics, Kwik Cricket and Rounders. As always please ensure your child comes to school in their full P.E kit, which is a **white t-shirt, black shorts, black jogging bottoms, pumps or trainers and a jumper.**

PE will be on the following days:

**5HW Tuesday (swimming) and Wednesday**

**5GA Tuesday and Friday**

**6NP Tuesday and Friday**

**6CH Tuesday and Thursday**

## School Uniform Reminder

A reminder that all children should come to school in school uniform. This includes a burgundy jumper or cardigan, white polo shirt and black trousers, skirt or pinafore.

**School shoes/trainers must be black.** The full policy can be found on our website.



## End of Year Events

This term Year 6 will be taking part in a range of activities to celebrate their end of year as well as trips to support their learning. There will also be an end of Year assembly as well as the Prom to look forward to.

There will be more details about each event to follow.

## Geography and Science

We will begin a new topic in Geography this half term: **The America's—Come Fly with me**, followed by a local area study of **Ilkley**. The children will be going on a trip to Ilkley to complete their study of the local area.

In Science we will be focusing on **Biology-Evolution, Can fossils demonstrate evolution?** Children will be learning about what fossils are as well as how different animals and plants can survive in different environments depending on their characteristics or appearance.

## Homework, Home Reading and Spellings

Reading remains a key focus area both in school and at home and we will ensure that children continue to bring a suitable book home to read. Please ensure your child reads at home each day and returns a completed journal each day.

For homework, every Friday, children will receive a SPaG, reading, Maths and Spellings.

This is to be returned the following Wednesday. The spelling test will be the following Friday.