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Newsletter December

WINTER IS HERE

It is with great pleasure that we are sharing our Newsletter with you. We have had a challenging term, getting used to our new classess and really knuckling down to make sure we meet our learning objectives! We have been busy learning important techniques that will help us progress through Year 5. We have also been adjusting our ways of thinking to engage with a wide variety of stimuli and challenges. It has been a great term!

In this Newsletter, please find information about the content of what will be studied, along with some of the great learning we have already been doing. As always, the very important information will be communicated via the school website. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact the class teacher by using the record book or email.

This term, there will be a lot of emphasis on helping your child progress in reading, comprehension and spellings. Please facilitate their learning at home by asking questions and helping your child to think about their thinking. We are here to help, every step of the way!

Please ensure that the children are fully prepared for the school day. In Year 5, the children are responsible for packing their bags and including everything they need!

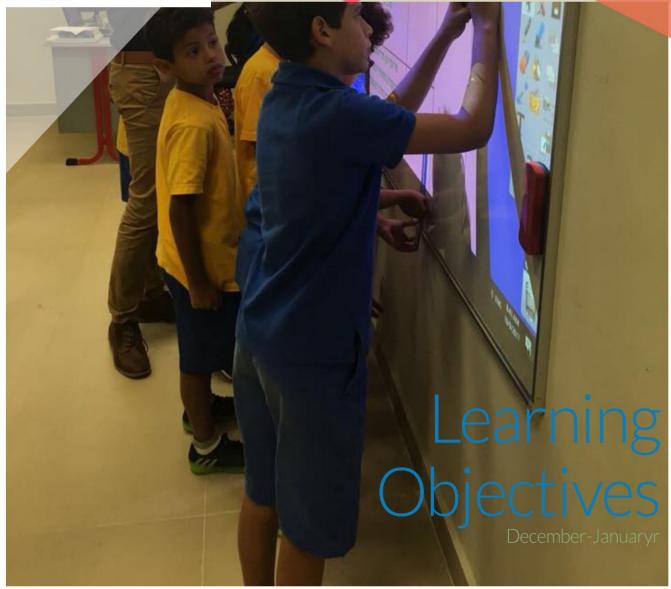




KEY DATES

 29th and 30th November ~ Holiday (long weekend) 5th – 7th December ~ Desert trip 21st December ~ End of term. (We return to school Monday 8th Jan)





English: In English, we will be continuing our Narrative topic. We have nearly finished reading Shadow and will continue activities pertaining to the text. We are engaging well with the text and are applying our newly acquired knowledge in a range of situations.

Maths: In Maths, we will be exploring prime numbers, geometry, rotation and translation and using our prior infor-

mation to help us discover our potential. After this, we will be extending our knowledge of percentages and decimals.

Science: In Science, we will be continuing to investigate Properties of Materials. We will be comparing and contrasting different materials and investigating different ways to classify different materials.

Humanities: In Humanities, we will be continuing our journey

into the Victorian era. We will be learning all about how Queen Victoria and the British Empire became one of the world's major forces.

PSCHE: In PSCHE, we will be analysing our identity and what makes a person the person they are. We will be exploring other cultures and comparing our lives with the lives of others.







WHAT WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING...

This Half Term, Year 5 have enjoyed learning about a range of topics.! We tackled tricky fractions; adding, subtracting, finding the equivalent and fractions of amounts. It has, at times, been really tough but we persevered and can now solve a range of problems. In English, we explored Yarl's Wood, England and Afghanistan. We have created diary entries and placed an emphasis on understanding and empathising with the main characters.

In Science, we have been investigating different materials and their properties. We have been testing hypothesis, evaluating and concluding experiments at a fast rate! Our analytical skills have improved exponentially! In Humanities, we have been looking at the life of Queen Victoria. She was such a formidable ruler with an interesting family. We look forward to learning more about her Empire!

