Democracy Week

Our study of ‘Fox’, our topic, science and computing topics will begin on the week starting 16th September. Prior to this we are studying the process of democracy, planning and writing speeches and democratically voting for our school council leaders. Our text for this short topic will be ‘The Tin Forest’ by Helen Ward.

Terrific Thursdays

These will continue to include: Sporting Games, singing, drama, music and more. Please remember to send your child to school in their PE kits on this day and with earrings removed.

Homework

All pupils will continue to receive daily and weekly homework, based on what has been covered in class.

Maths homework will be daily.

Spellings will be sent home, and tested, weekly.

A vocabulary building homework will be sent home weekly, usually a Friday.

We also encourage children to be reading regularly at home with a range of different texts and genres.

Look Hear!

Term 1 / Year 5
Puffins — Miss Edwards/Mr. Dockrell
Barn Owls—Miss Baker
**English**

This term we will be reading and exploring the book ‘Fox’ By Margaret Wild and Ron Brooks.

**Overall aims of this teaching sequence:**
- To study the language and writing style of an author in order to broaden knowledge of vocabulary and grammar and inform understanding of how effective application can determine the quality of a text.
- To explore the actions, choices and motivations of characters and draw inferences to aid our understanding of them.
- To consider the ways in which illustrations can deepen and enrich the meaning of a text and enhance the reader experience.

**Mathematics**

This term we are focusing on **Number and Place Value**

As a year group, we’ll be reviewing and securing ourselves in place value of numbers and reinforcing our understanding of arithmetic.

We are also exploring the following topics in class:
- Numbers up to 1 million
- Adding and Subtracting up to 5 digits using the column method

**Topic**

Our topic this term is ‘Look Hear!’

Our focus will be designing and making a musical instrument that we could use in a performance.

**Science: Growing up and growing old**

We will be creating timeline to show significant stages of growth in humans from birth to old age.

**Computing**

Our topic is called ‘We are game developers’ and we will be using a simple program and algorithms to create a game.

**Immersive Reading**

This year we will dive deeply into a single novel all year long. Year 5 will be reading the ‘The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe’ by CS Lewis. It would be helpful if each student could bring in their own copy.

**R.E.**

What does it mean if God is Holy and loving?

We will be identifying different types of Biblical texts, how churches and cathedrals are designed and how a Holy and loving God can make an impact on the world today.