

# Year 5 Newsletter

November 2023

Dates  
for your



**Movies and Munchies**

16th November

**Christmas Jumper Day &  
Christmas Choir Market**

Friday 1st December

**National Space Centre Visit**

1st December

**Term dates**

School closes 1pm Friday

22nd December

School opens:

Monday 8th January 2024

We hope that you have all had  
a lovely half term break.

Please see the coverage for this half term.

## Maths

The focus for this half term will be multiplication and division including: multiples, factors, square numbers, cubed numbers and prime numbers. We will then move on to measures, including perimeter of rectilinear shapes.

Year 5 maths target: To know all multiplication facts up to  $12 \times 12$  and corresponding division facts.

## Geography

We are investigating longitude, latitude and time zones around the world. Children will be identifying locations using lines of longitude and latitude.

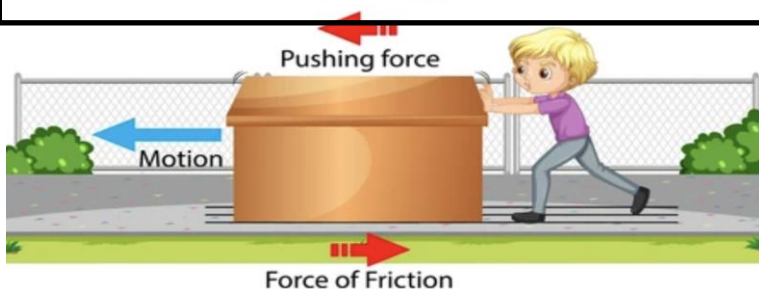
We will move on to learning about the economic activities in the different counties of the United Kingdom. We will use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to describe features studied.

## Games and PE

This term, the key focus will be on tag rugby for outdoors games, and dance for indoor PE. Swimming is by invitation only every Thursday.

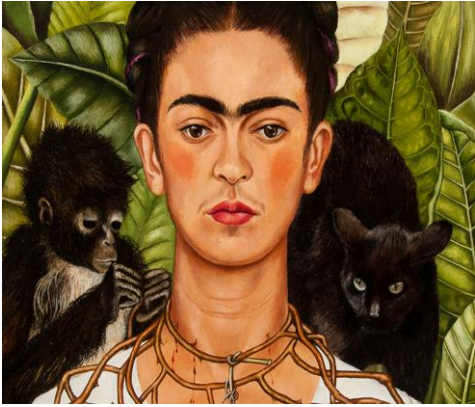
## Science

This half term, the children will learn about forces - gravity, friction, air resistance and water resistance.



## English

In English, we start the half term by becoming journalists, and writing a news report about the Viking raids on Lindisfarne. We will then move on to a unit of work looking at short films. We will think about the techniques that filmmakers use to tell a story, before identifying these in the short films *El Caminante* and *Lucky Dip*. We will then use these films as inspiration for our own writing.



## Computing

We will be writing programs in Turtle academy using Logo. A 'turtle' is an object on the screen that draws a 'pen' line behind it, wherever it goes. The children will create nested programs (a repetition command inside another repetition command) to draw shapes. We will also be creating and naming procedures before writing our own code to create a turtle drawing.

## Art

We will be exploring the work of Frida Kahlo and her use of strong, bright colours.

Focusing on shape and proportion, children will create a clay monkey sculpture using tools.

We will also explore Leonora Carrington's dream-like images. Children will then make their own dream catcher, focusing on colour and texture.

## PSHE

This half term, children will be identifying and respecting differences and similarities between people. They will then learn how to recognise the effect of their behaviour on other people, and learn how to cooperate successfully with others.

### How you can help at home:

Please continue to listen to your child read, and to record your comments about their reading in their diaries. Ask them questions about the understanding behind what they have read, and discuss the vocabulary that they have come across.

Question your child on their times tables (1 - 12) frequently.

Test your child on their maths target and weekly spellings.

### Key reminders:

Mayer's PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Winstanley's PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday. Please make sure that they come to school in appropriate PE kit on those days.

Swimming every Thursday (you will be notified when your child has a lesson)

Homework is set every Friday and is due in every Wednesday.

Spellings will be given out every Friday and children will be tested on these the following Friday.

Children will be tested on their maths target every Friday.

TT Rockstars - 15 garage games to be completed by Thursday each week.

Thank you for your continued support

Ms Martin, Mrs Siddiqui, Mrs Reeb and Mrs Noon