







HALF TERM INFORMATION UPDATE		YEAR 5	
<p><b>Adults in 5BT:</b> Mrs Toher, Mrs Burn, Mrs Booth and Miss Hanif</p> <p><b>Adults in 5V:</b> Miss Vickerman and Mrs Page</p>			
<p><b>Message from the staff:</b></p> <p>Welcome back to the new 2023 year! We hope you've all had a lovely, relaxing Christmas and are ready for the year ahead. We are so excited to have all the children back in school, they have already showed us that they are enthusiastic and ready to learn.</p>			
THIS HALF TERM'S LEARNING			
<p><b>MATHS:</b></p> <p>In Maths we will initially be looking at Fractions, we will be exploring the different types of fractions, how to convert between improper and mixed number fractions and also adding and subtracting fractions. Then, we will begin looking at Multiplication and Division, we will multiply 4,3,2-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers, divide 4-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers and with remainders and finally solving problems using both multiplication and division.</p>		<p><b>English:</b></p> <p>This half-term we will be looking at 'Mountains and Volcanoes'. Within this, we will be creating fact-files, creative descriptions and look at the tragedy that struck Pompeii.</p> <p><b>Reading:</b></p> <p>We are studying 'First Light', a fantastic picture book by Gary Crew. We will also be having some Fixing Fluency sessions, which help us with reading aloud and using expression.</p>	
<p><b>PE:</b></p> <p>Children will be having PE on Tuesdays.</p> <p>This half term we will be developing our gymnastic skills, using counterbalancing, fitness and tension in order to hold different poses and maneuvers.</p>	 <p><b>RE:</b></p> <p>Our unit is 'What values are shown in codes for living?'. In this unit, we will explore the difference between right and wrong and bad and good and begin to understand how different people have different codes for living.</p>	<p><b>MFL:</b></p> <p>This half term we will be learning all about 'La Familia'. In this topic we will learn all about the names of different family members and how to talk about them in Spanish.</p>	
<p><b>History/Geography:</b></p> <p>Our fantastic Geography topic this half term is 'Mountains and Volcanoes'. We will be exploring the structure of the Earth, how Volcanoes work and the effects of them and how Volcanoes and Mountains are formed.</p>	 <p><b>Science:</b></p> <p>This half term our Science topic is 'Forces'. Within this, we will explore the different types of forces, when they are used and complete our own science investigation to explore the force of gravity.</p>	<p><b>Music:</b></p> <p>Over this upcoming half term, our song is 'Make you feel my love – By Adele'. We will look at the way this song is sung, the tempo, rhythm, and instruments used within the song.</p>	



**PSHE:**

In PSHE this half term, we will be unpicking our new topic 'Borrowing and Earning money'. We will explore what money is, how it is used, the different types, and the idea of losing money.



**Art:**




We are using and developing a range of sketching and drawing techniques, through sketching different mountain and volcano ranges.

**How parents can help at home:**

Reading really accelerates children's writing so please read at home.

Children are also encouraged to practice their weekly spellings and learn their times-tables, they can do this on Times Tables Rock Stars (their logins are in the back of their reading record).

**Days/Dates to remember:**

-  PE is on Tuesday – children will need to come in the correct PE kit.
-  Spellings are set on Fridays. The spelling tests will be on the following Friday.
-  Please ensure children bring their books daily to school so we can also read with them in class.

Please make sure you let an adult know you are taking your child at home time to avoid children wandering off.