



# Year 5 Bulletin

## Spring Term 2023

### A message from the Year 5 Team

Welcome back and Happy New Year!  
We hope you had a lovely Christmas break. We are looking forward to starting new, exciting topics—from Earth and Space in History and Science to Matisse in Art.

### PE

This term we will be doing dance in PE with a focus on movement inspired by Space and the planets to link with our science work.

The children will be doing hockey & basketball in their outdoor lessons with Mr Venn.

### Reading

Please remember to bring in Reading Diaries every day and take them home each night. Your child is encouraged to read a variety of books and genres throughout the year. If there is an appropriate book from home that your child wishes to read, then this is also encouraged. Please read with your child as often as possible and log this into their reading record. You or your child may write in the reading record when they have read with you or independently.

We will encourage your child to note and look up any new words and use them in their own writing. Children will be asked to hand in their records every week to be checked.

### Spring Term Trips

To support our learning of Earth and Space, we will be visiting the National Space Centre in March. More details to follow.

### **Leopards Class Teacher:**

Miss Armstrong



### **Lions Class Teachers:**

Mrs Long (Mon, Tues, Weds)

Mr Russell (Thurs, Fri)



### **Teaching Assistants:**



Miss Pearson  
(Lions)

Ms Wisdom  
(Leopards)

Mrs Parke  
(Lions and Leopards)

### **Upper KS2 Leader: Mr Edwards**

### Times Tables Challenge

It would really help your child's mathematics knowledge and understanding if you regularly practise times tables (up to x12). There will be a weekly Times Tables Challenge in class so that the children can practise their fast recall of multiplication facts.

### Spring Term Curriculum

**English:** This term we will be writing flashback narratives based on a sci-fi animation; explanation texts; a letter to persuade and a biography.

**Maths:** Angles and degrees, line graphs and timetables, percentages, perimeter and area, Roman numerals, property of shape, addition and subtraction (mental & written).

**Science:** Earth and Space; forces.

**History:** This term, we will be looking at the Space Race: key facts, events and important figures.

**Art:** We will be looking at the French artist Henri Matisse, his life and work and create our own Matisse-style collage. We will also be studying painting skills, experimenting with different brushstrokes and colours.

**PE:** Dance/gymnastics; hockey; basketball.

**RE:** As part of our learning on Christianity, we will be discussing 'Why do Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah?'; Chinese New Year.

**PSHE:** British Values: Rule of Law; Feelings and Emotions; Mental Health Week; Being Responsible; First Aid.

**French:** months of the year; Valentine's Day; birthdays; pets; pancake day; Easter; numbers to 60.

### Contact Us

We will occasionally send messages and post 'stories' onto the ClassDojo to keep you updated. If you would like to talk to us about your child, either contact the school office and we can arrange to speak with you or send the office an email.