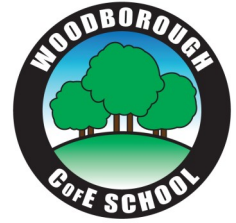


# ELM CLASS



Spring Newsletter 2017.

Year 5

Dear Parents

I hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and New Year. Welcome back to the Spring Term!

Our first topic focus will be Geography. We will be learning all about the Alps region - both its physical and human characteristics. If you have any photos of scenery or maps from this area, we'd love to have a look at them. During January, we will be looking at the work of William Shakespeare and in particular 'The Tempest'. Our plan at the moment is to perform this play at our class assembly!. In art, we'll be doing some 3D work creating a mountain and looking at mountain landscapes' - foreground and backgrounds.

Our RE topic this term is looking at sacred texts from different religions.

Our PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, although I recommend that PE kits are kept in school every day as plans can change! Please ensure your child has warm outdoor PE clothing and water-proof trainers as we will be using the field.

After the February holiday our focus changes to History with 'Victorians on the Move'. A theme which will have a local emphasis. We'll also be looking at the work of Victorian artists in art. In RE, our key question is : 'Is forgiveness always possible?'

We have Parents' Evenings planned for later in March, but if you have any questions or concerns before then please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Ashby



## Dates for your Diaries

Elm Class Assembly

27.1.17

Book Week 27.2.16

Parents Evenings

28.3.17 & 30.3.17

Easter Service

7.4.17

## Homework Information.

Maths Homework is given out on Monday to be handed in on Friday. Don't forget the children can use both Mathematics and Times Table Rock Stars to practice their maths skills.

English Homework is given out on Friday to be handed in the following Thursday.

Spelling lessons will continue to be on Monday. (Purple spelling books needed ). Remember to look on the website for activity ideas.

Although a lot of the children in Year 5 are quite happy to read on their own, it is still important they read to an adult too. This improves their comprehension skills as it gives them an opportunity to discuss the plot and characters with an adult as well as reinforcing their understanding of vocabulary.