



# ELM CLASS

Summer Newsletter 2017

Year 5

Welcome back to the Summer Term. The first half is quite a short term (5 weeks) and the second half longer (7 weeks). As normal they'll be fairly busy! Let's hope we get some Summer weather to go with it.

Our first topic focus will be Science — 'Where Does My Food Go?' where we will look at the digestive system and how food travels through the body; different food groups, and food chains. After the half term holiday, our science theme continues. 'What a State' looks at solids, liquids and gases and what happens when we heat or cool these. In art work, we'll be looking at some collage work and 3D representation.

In Maths, we will finish covering the Year 5 curriculum and ensure we can apply these skills by covering lots of word problems. In our English, we will continue our work on the grammar and punctuation curriculum and how we integrate this into our own writing. We'll look at writing short stories and poetry.

Our RE questions this term focus on understanding the Sikh faith: "Do Sikhs think sharing is important?" and "What is the best way for Sikhs to show commitment to God?".

Our PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, although I recommend that PE kits are kept in school every day as plans can change! On Thursdays, the children will be having Judo lessons with our visiting Judo coach. Kits will all be provided. Other sports covered this Term will be tennis, athletics and rounders.

## Dates for your Diaries

- 1.5.17 Bank Holiday
  - 15.5.17 Residential Presentation. 7pm
  - 17.5.17 Harry Potter visit
  - 25.5.17 'How Our World Works' Talk for Y5 & 6
  - 29.5.17 - 2.6.17 Half Term
  - 12.6.17 - 16.6.17 Residential Visit
  - 19.6.17 - 21.6.17 TD Days
  - 26.6.17 - 30.6.17 Art Week
  - 13.7.17 Sports Day
  - 14.7.17 RAF Fairford Tattoo Visit
  - (More details to follow)
  - 17.7.17 Moving-on Morning
  - 20.7.17 Swimming Gala
  - 21.7.17 Last day of Term
  - 22.7.17 Summer Holidays
- Begin - enjoy!*

## Homework Information.

Maths Homework is given out on Monday to be handed in on Friday.

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.

Homework Club is Thursday lunchtime where teachers will be on hand to go over any problems encountered during the week.