



☆ Aim high & be a Star ☆

# Year 5 Spring 1 Newsletter

January 2021



😊 Welcome back 😊

We hope you have all had a great Christmas break 😊

This term we begin our new topic: Ancient Greece! We will spend the first week finishing our WW2 topic before we step back in time 😊 Lots of our writing will be linked to our topic too; we will be looking at Aesop's fables with the aim of writing our very own characters, settings and tale... complete with a moral too!

We can't wait to start!

Mrs Walker and Miss Nixon



## Reading

Reading at least three times a week is the on-going expectation with planners checked weekly in school.

It is important to check that your child understands what they are reading to improve comprehension skills.

**If your child has not read three times, you will be sent a reminder.**



## Spellings

Spellings will continue to be sent each Friday to be tested the following Friday.



This half term Year 5 will have PE on a **TUESDAY** afternoon. Please send your child to school dressed in their PE kits, and please bring a coat.

**Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school every day.**

If your child has asthma, please ensure that we have a named inhaler in school at all times too.

## Mathematics

This half term our Mathematics will recap our understanding of place value and the four operations.

Following this we will begin to look at fractions, decimal and percentages.

Please practice times-tables with your children and use Times Tables Rock Star as often as possible as an aid to learning. This will help to strengthen their knowledge and understanding. **There is a Stoke TTRS competition for Y5 running from 13<sup>th</sup> January - 19<sup>th</sup> January!**



## Topic

This term Year 5 will begin our new topic: Ancient Greece. This fun and engaging topic will take us back to one of the most fascinating civilisations in history as we explore ancient Greece and its many wonders. Through this unit, we will discover the people, the inventions, the art, the technology and the mythology of the ancient Greeks, all through a range of different activities.



## Homework

Homework will be sent home on a Thursday to be handed in the following Monday. Homework will cover a range of areas from our work in class in Mathematics, English and Topic.