

## English

In Literacy, we will be using the picture book, 'The Arrival' to write an unsettled setting description using a specific picture. We will be using emotive adjectives, and figurative language including personification to build atmosphere. We will then be writing an informal letter in the eyes of an immigrant to make the reader feel empathy about the new life the immigrant is living. We will use parenthesis for the first time this year, which will include brackets, dashes and commas and well as focusing on adverbial phrases at the beginning of sentences.

In Reading, we shall be exploring different extracts of a variety of texts including, fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. We will teach the reading skills relating to each text and continue to build fluency when reading aloud.

## Maths

In Maths Spot, we will continue to practise the taught skills of place value and the four operations, including multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. In our maths lessons, we will be teaching fractions. This will include finding non-unit fractions of quantities, equivalent fractions, comparing and ordering fractions, recognising mixed numbers and improper fractions and being able to fluently convert between them both and adding, subtracting and multiplying fractions. Please continue to encourage your child to practice their times tables.

## Citizenship

This term we will be continuing learning how to be compassionate global citizens. We will look at migration globally and reflect upon common opinions and how the world needs to change. We will also be exploring why people choose to migrate and why they may choose to migrate to the UK.

## Personal Development

This half term, we will be continuing our learning on puberty including understanding the physical and emotional changes we experience and how to ask for and give support about any worries. We will then be moving onto the topic of 'Being Responsible'. Where we will be learning about looking out for others, including discussing and comparing considerate and inconsiderate actions as well as how we can support each other.

## History

This term we will be focusing on the French Revolution. The children will understand what was happening in France at the time and why it led for the people to revolt. We will look at the consequences of this event and the changes to France which followed including learning about who Napoleon was and the famous Battle of Trafalgar.

# Migration

## Science

This half term, we will be focusing on living things and their habitats. We will be planting a seed and observing its growth through a period of time, whilst also taking care of the plant. We will also be finding out about asexual and sexual reproduction in plants and even dissecting one!

## Geography

In Geography, we will be answering the question, 'Why do people migrate to the UK?'. To answer this, we will be locating Eastern Europe, specifically, Poland and researching the human and physical features. We will then be using this information to compare Poland and the UK and what makes the UK a desirable place to live.

# Y5 Spring 1 Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and we are excited to have the children with us refreshed and ready for an exciting new term.

Throughout the spring term, we shall be continuing to support the children in making the progress necessary to continue to close the gaps and get them prepared for Year 6. We will continue to emphasise the key skills in maths, literacy and reading as well as supporting the children to become compassionate citizens.

This term we will be learning about migration, who migrants are in society and why they choose to move. We shall also be looking at push and pull factors and discovering the history of migration over the years.



## Important dates for your diary:

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023 -  
School reopens for pupils.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - INSET  
Day. School is closed to all  
pupils

## PE

Class 11's PE will be on a Wednesday morning (FlexDance)

Class 12's PE will be on a Wednesday morning (FlexDance)

Appropriate kits are expected to be in school on these days as both are important and enjoyable parts of the curriculum.

**REMINDER:** Children's P.E. kits **should consist of blue or black shorts**, a white t-shirt and trainers or pumps. Tracksuit bottoms are optional during colder weather.