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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Spring 2 2024

I hope you had a relaxing half term. I am really looking forward to the next half term's learning and have outlined the highlights below.

Maths

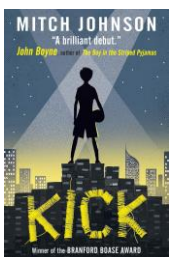
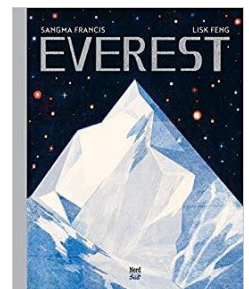
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Year 5 will be starting this half term looking at decimal numbers before moving onto percentages and finding the links between these. After this, we'll go onto geometry and will be looking at the properties of shapes. Your continued support with helping children to practise mental maths questions and learn their times tables facts is greatly appreciated.

Literacy

'Everest' will be inspiring our next writing journey, in which the children will be writing a diary entry as if they have climbed the world's highest mountain. We'll be thinking about what it would be like to undertake this momentous challenge and what we would experience along the way.

Please ensure your child is reading - or being read to - every evening as this will benefit all of their literacy skills.



Our class book in reading is Kick by Mitch Johnson. We continue to spend 15 minutes reading this every day and our Monday and Friday guided reading lessons will focus on this class book. During the week, we also have time for free choice reading. Please ensure your child has something to read for free-choice reading (a book, a comic, instructions, etc).

On Monday 4th March, the children will put into practise the skills they have learned from writing a balanced argument to write and perform a debate at the States Chamber.





PSHE

In PSHE, we will focus on our next Jigsaw module called 'Healthy Me'. This module looks at how we can keep our bodies healthy and the choices we can make.

Geography

The children will be learning about the features of mountains, how they are formed, why people go to the mountains, what it might be like to live in the mountains and how we can protect them.



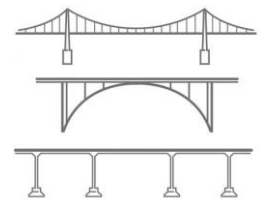
RE

In RE we will be exploring what Christians believe Jesus did to 'save people'. We'll be recapping the 'big story' of the bible, how Jesus' death was a sacrifice and how we see sacrifice in our modern, everyday lives.



Science

This half-term we will be answering the question 'Why do we not float on earth?'. In doing so, we'll be learning about forces including friction, air resistance, water resistance and gravity.



Design & Technology

In Design & Technology the children will learning about bridges. We will look at the different types of bridges, how they are made and what can be done to strengthen them. Children will collaborate throughout this unit to make their own bridge structures.

PE

We continue to have PE with Jersey Sport for Swimming on a **Friday** at Langford. Our other PE day will stay as **Wednesday**. Please ensure children have the correct school PE kit, including a PE jacket for lessons outside, and appropriate trainers or plimsolls.

Homework

Year 5 homework will continue to be handed out every Thursday and should be returned on, or before, the following Thursday. If your child loses their homework, it is their responsibility to collect another copy from our 'Class info' board in the classroom.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Kind regards,

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