

## SUMMER TERM 2017 YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our Summer Term newsletter.

The Spring Term has flown by and all the children have impressed us with how well they have adapted to the change in pace and expectations. What a wonderful finish to the term with our WWF event; thank you for your support in raising over £600!

Our topic for the first half of the Spring Term will be the Ancient Egyptians, if you have any books, photos or artefacts the children are welcome to bring them in, please name them or put them in a named bag. We will be learning about the daily lives of the Egyptians and will be linking our history learning to art, food technology and music. We will also be finding out about the Ancient Egyptian beliefs and burial practices, including mummification. Finally we will research key Egyptian pharaohs and present our findings.



In English, children will be studying the poem 'The Highwayman'. In our writing lessons we will use the poem to explore areas such as characterisation, plot development and figurative speech. During our guided reading sessions we will continue to read a variety of genres, with a special focus on fables.

In Maths, we will be fine tuning our calculation skills with a focus of applying our skills to investigations and problem solving. We will explore geometry which includes recognising different 3D and 2D shapes, identifying, describing, measuring and drawing angles as well as using our calculation skills to work out missing angles. We will continue to link our maths and computing learning especially, when learning about area and perimeter.

In science we will continue to explore materials with a focus on reversible and irreversible changes. We will link our science with DT to explore the irreversible changes that happen in cooking.

In RE we will explore the concept of justice. In addition to this we will continue to consider our school's values of Love, Faith and Courage.

In our PE lessons we are lucky to have Alton Cricket Club fine tuning our cricket skills – throwing and catching; hitting a ball as well as working as a team in competitive games. CM Sports will be helping us to improve our athletic skills ready for Sports Day. P.E. will be on a Monday and Wednesday.

## How you could help your child at home.

Please continue reading and discussing books at least five times a week - please record it in your child's reading diary.

Support your child with learning their multiplication tables ready for their weekly 'Times Table Challenge' on Tuesdays.

Maths or science homework is given out on a Monday and due in on Wednesday, English or topic homework is given out on a Wednesday and due in on a Friday.

## Special Year Five dates and events for the Summer Term:

15th-19th May Residential to Calshot 5th June Science trip to the Gilbert White Centre, Selborne 14th June Sports Day 19th June Eggers transition day