











# Year 5 Newsletter

## Summer Term 1

Welcome back, I hope you all had a lovely Easter break. I am looking forward to welcoming the children back for our first summer term together. This half term is filled with lots of learning and fun along the way. Remember, if you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Jones & Mrs Laycock

#### **English**

This half term we will be focusing on two texts. Firstly. The Dam by David Almond. This inspiring picture book tells a true story of hope for a small village based on a dam. This ties in with our river topic. After this, we will be focusing on the book *Rooftoppers* by Katherine Rundell. Children will work towards creating diary entries, narratives, newspaper reports and leaflets based on these narratives. Each week children will also be learning new SPaG knowledge which relates to our spellings.

#### Maths

Children will continue to work on decimals and percentages this half term. Children will learn how to read and write decimals, round decimals to the nearest whole number, order and compare decimals and write percentages as fractions and decimals. Please encourage your child to play multiplication games on *Times Table Rockstars* and place value games on *Numbots*.

#### Science

Our focus will be Living Things and their Habitats. The children will describe the differences between mammals, amphibians and insects. Children will describe the process of reproduction in both plants and animals. Children will also work scientifically to observe the changes over time of plants and animals in their natural habitats.

#### Homework

Online learning tasks will be set weekly via *Purple Mash*, *Spelling Shed* and *TT Rockstars*. These sites offer a variety of fun games for your children to explore.

#### Religion

This half term children will be focusing on the question: 'If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?' This topic will allow children to investigate different religions and spiritual ways of life as well as looking at the history of places of worship and their diversity.

#### Geography

Our focus this half term is geography, and we will be looking at the rivers. This is an enquiry topic that allows children to explore rivers around the world, understand how they are formed, how people use them, how people change them, the world's longest river and finally the effects of flooding.

#### **Core Christian Value**



Honesty



5<sup>th</sup> May – Celebration of King's Coronation

26<sup>th</sup> May- End of term







### Remember:

Please be respectful when parking outside school at the start and end of each day.

Thank you.

