



## Year 5 Curriculum Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back - we hope that you have all had an enjoyable holiday and wish you all a happy new year! This is our curriculum letter which is designed to inform you about what your child will be learning about during the Spring Term. As we are sure you will appreciate, this year will be very busy, including the extended homework project and the trip to Blists Hill, therefore it would be extremely helpful to both us and your child if you could offer as much support as possible with homework, reading, tables practice and any other activities your child is required to complete.

This letter outlines the topics that the children will be covering throughout the first half of the Spring Term.

This term our topic is **THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP!**

Please ensure your child bring their reading book and reading diary to school each day. They will also have a peg for their coat and PE kit. As space in the cloakroom is limited, we would be grateful if P.E. kits could be kept in a small drawstring bag which fits onto the peg. Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them every day but please can I remind you that we only allow water rather than squash or flavoured water.

### PE Kits

P.E. activities may be indoors or outdoors, depending on the weather, so children need an indoor kit (black shorts and a plain white T-shirt) and an outdoors kit (jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt/tracksuit) as well as pumps or trainers.

P.E. kits are kept in school until the end of half term, as P.E. times may vary throughout the year. For health and safety, children who wear earrings should have these removed on P.E. days, if they are not removed your child will be unable to take part in the P.E. lesson (teachers are not permitted to remove or tape up earrings).

P.E. days continue to be **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**. Swimming will continue on a Tuesday morning this half term.

### Routines

Please ensure that ALL your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name. Children often misplace items and it is very difficult to find them if they are not labelled. In the morning, children in Years 3 to 6 will be dropped off at the bottom of the ramp on the KS2 playground where they will be greeted by either Mr Adams or Mr Cruise. If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher please inform the teacher on the door and any messages will be passed on or an appointment made if necessary. At the end of the day children in these classes will collect their coats and meet adults on the playground. Year 5 and 6 pupils will be dismissed from their fire exit and years 3 and 4 will be dismissed from the bottom of the ramp.



## **Homework**

For homework, we ask that the children read for at least 10 minutes every night, and talk about the books they are reading as this will support enjoyment, fluency and understanding. There will be a piece of English and Maths homework set every Friday and collected by the teacher the following Wednesday.

Pupils should complete their extended homework projects on The Victorians by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018. The projects will be showcased with peers in class after the completion date. Should you have any questions regarding the project, please don't hesitate to ask.

May I take this opportunity to remind you that if you have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Yours sincerely

Miss Barnard

Year 5 Class Teacher