



Please note...

**Uniform:** Children need to be wearing the correct uniform at all times. Jumpers and cardigans can be worn in class, fleeces are for outdoor wear only. We take pride in our school and are very proud of how smart the children look when wearing the correct uniform. Your support in this area is very appreciated.

**PE lessons:** PE lessons in year 5 will take place on a Wednesday and Friday. It is essential that children have their kits in school everyday. PE will be done outside and therefore the children will need an outdoor kit; school jumpers are not allowed to be worn. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are unsure about what your child should wear for PE.

**Water bottle:** Just to make you aware, children should have a water bottle in school; this must contain water and not juice. Please ensure that the bottle is labelled clearly.

**Snack:** As we encourage healthy eating throughout the school, the children may bring fruit and vegetables to eat during break time.

**Home learning:** Home learning will be given out every Friday and should be returned to school the following Wednesday. It is important that home learning is completed to the best of your child's ability and is handed in on time otherwise a consequence will be given. Home learning club will run on a Tuesday lunchtime for any children who are unable to complete the work at home. Last term, the children were given home learning wallets. We would like to see these in school every week so that the children can put their new piece of home Learning straight into their wallet.

Just a reminder how important it is that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential.



# Race Around the World



**Year 5  
Spring Term**



Happy new year! The children have settled back into class extremely well this week. We are very much looking forward to the term ahead and working in partnership with you to support your child with their learning. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day.

### Year 5 team

Miss Walters (Pear Class Teacher and Yr 5/6 Phase Leader)

Miss Macaskill (Pine Class Teacher)

Miss Hamblett (Teaching Assistant)

Mr Brady (Teaching Assistant)

Miss Raphael (Maths Teacher)

Mr Holder (Assistant Head Teacher)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries.

The happiness of your child is very important to us all.

### Our topic:

The theme for our spring term topic is Race Around the World. We will be exploring different countries around the world. This topic aims to develop the children's geographical knowledge and also their enquiry and investigative skills. We do hope that you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them in their lessons.



**English:** Over this term, the children will be writing recipe poems. We will also be focussing on the classic text 'Around the World in Eighty Days' by Jules Verne. Each week the children will continue to carry out spelling challenges.

**Maths:** The children will be covering a range of topics including; number and place value, geometry and data handling. The children will also have a weekly times tables challenge so it is important that they are learning their times tables at home on a regular basis.

**Science:** This term we will be investigating the different properties of a range of materials. We will also explore how materials can change by investigating reversible and irreversible reactions.

**Geography:** During our topic sessions, we will be locating and comparing the geographical similarities and differences of a range of countries. We will compare the climate, biomes, rivers, mountains as well as the types of settlement and the economic activity.

**PE:** This term, in our PE lessons we will be developing movements and form by looking at street dance. We will also be developing our co-ordination and balance needed for netball.

**SMSC:** We be exploring the law of love and the life and values of Jesus.

**Art:** In art, we will be developing digital art through photography and using computers. We will explore different effects and how colour changes the mood of a picture.

**French:** Our French sessions will focus on body parts and directions.

**Computer science:** As part of our topic, we will be using the 'Maths in Motion' software that simulates the setting up of a racing car. In small teams, the children will complete a series of tasks in an effort to produce the perfect car, which they will then race.