

Tuesday 21st January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the new school year. We hope you have had a very enjoyable festive break and everyone is eager to return to school.

During this term we will be covering the following topics:

	Spring Term 1- Extreme Environments	Spring Term 2- It's all Greek to Me!
English	Ice Trap! (Ernest Shackleton's expedition) by Meredith Hooper	The Adventure of Perseus by Pie Corbett
Maths	Multiplication and Division and Fractions	Fractions, Decimals and Percentages
RE	What it means to be a Jew?	How does Holy Communion Build a Christian Community?
Science	Living Things and Their Habitats	Earth and Space
PE	Swimming and Indoor Games (Striking and Fielding)	Swimming and Indoor Games (Striking and Fielding)

English, Geography, History, Music, DT, PSHE, Computing and Art objectives will be met through the creative curriculum, linking these subjects to the topics, whilst Maths objectives are met through the White Rose Maths Hub schemes of learning.

For homework, your child will receive a green book with the homework menu for this half-term. Homework tasks should be submitted as it is finished, so it can be marked and returned. **Spelling tests** will be completed on a **Monday morning**. If your child has lost their list you may obtain another one from the school website.

Children will need to bring their **PE kits on Monday** and their **swimming kits on Tuesday**. Please ensure your child has appropriate kit for indoor and outdoor lessons and all items are labelled. Earrings should not be worn on these days and no other jewellery should be worn to school.

Reading takes place daily in the classroom and books are changed regularly. Your child will have opportunities to choose a variety of reading books throughout the term. These books should be brought home and the reading record should be completed when your child reads. Please encourage your child to read daily at home and record it in their reading records. Reading records and books cost a lot of money to replace, therefore we will continue to charge for any lost reading records or books accordingly.

Throughout the year, trips will be organised for the children and details will be sent nearer the time. As always, we need parent volunteers in order for these trips to take place; we will try to give you as much notice as possible.

If you wish to contact us regarding your child's education please make an appointment via the office. We are usually available before 8.30 a.m. or after school.

We look forward to working with you to support your child on their learning journey.

Kind regards

The year 5 team

Ms Ndisang and Miss Rahman