Year 5 Newsletter Spring Term 1



Dear Parents / Carers:

Welcome back to Brampton after a long Christmas break. We are certainly feeling refreshed and ready for the new term. We are sure it will be an inspiring and engaging term for the children, due to the new and exciting topics we will be learning about.

Home Learning and Reading Records:

Home learning will continue to be given out on Friday and will be expected in the following Wednesday. Tasks will include comprehension, maths journal and reading daily.

An additional project will be included that will be linked to the Wider Curriculum topic of ***. This will need to be returned by the last week of the half term.

As a reminder, reading records must be handed in daily. Pupils will be expected to read for at least 20 minutes per day and can write about one of the following:

A summary of what they have read.
What they predict is going to happen and why.
What they have enjoyed reading and why.
What vocabulary has had the greatest impact on them and why.



The Year 5 Team

Australia: Mr Howell

<u>Japan:</u> Mr Rahman

Madagascar:
Miss Yapp

New Zealand: Miss Begum

Harjit Panesar

Year Group Leader: Miss Stefanie Reav

If you have any questions or concerns, please approach your child's class teacher.

This term's educational visit

Kensington Palace

What was Queen Victoria's childhood like and how did it influence her reign?

This term the students will be visiting Kensington Palace. This is an extremely exciting trip and a fantastic opportunity for the children. We will be attending a workshop there free of charge as part of our topic *Could you be a detective?* The children will be learning about Queen Victoria and her life.

Please see the letter sent home for the dates and times for your child's class.

Children will be required to wear school uniform and appropriate footwear suitable for walking.



PE Days

Australia: Tuesday and Wednesday

Japan: Tuesday and Wednesday

Madagascar: Wednesday and

Thursday

New Zealand: Wednesday and Thursday

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit, including a change of shoes. Your child may still require a bottle of water and some sunscreen whilst the weather remains warm.

Your child should bring their PE kit to school on Tuesday and take it home to wash on Thursday.

Curriculum

This term's topics:

Literacy: Modern legends and non-fiction journalistic writing.

Mathematics: Whole numbers and word problems – The children will be using their knowledge of number in different contexts: finding multiples, factors, prime numbers, square and cube numbers; multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000; multiplying, 2-, 3- and 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers to solve word problems.

Wider Curriculum: Could you be a detective? – Who was Queen Victoria? Who raised Queen Victoria? How was Queen Victoria portrayed in paintings? Was Kensington Palace a home or a prison for young Victoria?

Science: Materials- All Change! Are the changes that happen around us reversible or non-reversible? How much gas can be produced by non-reversible change? How long does it take for iron nails to rust? What would make the best rocket fuel? Which materials are used in our school building, what for and why?

RE: Inner Force. What inner forces effect how we think and behave? Why did Adam and Eve disobey God? Why did Jonah behave in the way he did? Why do I sometimes find it difficult to accept what I know to be true?

Computing: Control. We will combining LEGO with computer programs to build structures.