

# Year 5 Newsletter

## Spring Term 2



Dear Parents / Carers:

Welcome back to Brampton. We hope you had restful break. As you may be aware, this is a very short half term, but we have planned for lots of exciting and engaging activities. We are confident that the topics will inspire all the children and ensure they develop their understanding of the subject areas further.

Please ensure that your child continues to read at least 4 times a week, for a minimum of 20 minutes per day. As a reminder, reading records must be handed in daily.

Children are expected to 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.

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

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

### The Year 5 Team

#### Australia:

Mr Howell

#### Japan:

Mr Rahman

#### Madagascar:

Miss Yapp

#### New Zealand:

Miss Begum

#### HLTA

Harjit Panesar

#### Year Group Leader:

Miss Stefanie Reay

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

## This term's educational visit

### Kew Gardens

The children will be enhancing their learning on the Rainforest with a trip to the botanical gardens and the temperate greenhouse.

The trip will take place on the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017.



The children will also be taking part in workshops with IntoUniversity.

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:**

**English:** Modern Day fairy Tales and Performance Poetry.

**Mathematics:** Adding and subtracting decimals, comparing and finding percentages and angles.

**Wider Curriculum:** Rainforests – Where are they located? What are the features? What impact do they have on the world?

**Science:** Marvellous Mixtures - separating, purifying, comparing properties of materials, testing the properties of materials

**RE:** Why is Muhammad important to Muslim People? Who was Muhammad? What events changed his life? What has been the biggest influence in your life?

**Computing:** Control - e will combining LEGO with computer programs to build structures.