## Year 5 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back! I hope you have all had an amazing summer and are looking forward to year 6. We are going to make sure you have a super end to your primary school journey. Here are all the things we will be learning this term:

	Half term 1	Half term 2
Maths	Place Value – rounding, ordering and comparing numbers up to 10mill; determining the value of each digit Use negative numbers in context and calculate intervals across zero  Calculations – addition/subtraction/ multiplication/division formal methods (see calculation policy on school website) Perform mental calculations; identify common factors, common multiples and prime numbers	Fractions – simplifying fractions; comparing and ordering fractions; adding and subtracting fractions; multiplying fractions; dividing proper fractions by whole numbers
English	Class text – 'Wonder' by R J Palacio Class text 'Clockwork' by Phillip Pullman We will explore these texts in detail and will use them to influence our own pieces including dis- cussions, newspaper reports, narrative writing, formal and informal letters and diary entries.	Class text — 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens Christmas poetry using 'The Grinch' as a stimulus.
Science	The Heart and Keeping Healthy	Living Things and their Habitats
RE	What does it mean if God is loving and Holy?	Why is pilgrimage important to some religious believers?
Topic	The Tudor Dynasty: Investigating the influence Tudor Monarchs have had on British history	
Art/DT	Art: Portraits Investigating artists at time of Tudors: Leonardo Da Vinci, Giuseppe Arcimodo, Hieronymous Bosch Harvest artwork DT: Tudor pottery Making Tudor pottage Christmas cards	
PE	Health related fitness Netball Commando Joe's	Gymnastics Hockey Commando Joe's
French	Sport Clothing	
Music	Sing up units: Divorced, beheaded, died Henry's happy hour Greensleeves Instruments: Glockenspiels	
PSHE	Me and My Relationships	Valuing difference

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## **Important reminders**

- Our PE days are Monday and Wednesday outdoor. Please come to school in your PE kit.
- Weekly spellings will be tested each Friday. These will go
  out on Monday 6th and will also be on Google Classroom
  and the school website. We encourage children to practise
  via Spelling Shed— log in details have been sent home
  with your child.
- TTRockstars—Times tables are so important! We will be encouraging children to access both in and out of school.
- The most important thing you can do in year 6 is read for pleasure. I'm excited to see what books you are reading and remember we have the 100 book challenge at school which are all fantastic books.
- We are lucky to have Mrs Crawford working with the class and Mrs Bell teaching on a Thursday afternoon.

I am very much looking forward to working with you all this year.

Any questions, please do get in touch!

Mrs Wake :)