5 STAR NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to the summer term! This half term is all about ‘Amazing Life Cycles’.

It is also time for our year 5 QCA tests, so we are very busy revising our literacy and numeracy skills.

You can view a copy of our curriculum overview on our class website pages.

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| **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:** | |
| Monday 16 June 2014 | Year 5 Girls Talk |
| Thursday 26 June 2014 | KS2 Sports Day |
| To be confirmed! | Year 5 trip to Highams Park Lake |
| Thursday 3 July 2014 | Theatre visit at Highams Park School |
| Monday 7 July 2014 | Meet new teacher |
| Wednesday 23 July 2014 | End of term 2:30pm |

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| **CURRICULUM OVERVIEW:** |
| **NUMERACY:** This half term we will focus on revision, angles, division, fractions and decimals, percentages, square numbers, factors and probability. |
| **LITERACY:** We will be revising our basic skills. We will be studying one of the **Power of Reading Project Texts**  There Is A Boy In The Girls Bathroom (Louis Sachar) and then studying the Dramatic Conventions using the Play Scripts of these Film Texts: The Piano (Aidan Gibbons); The Switch (Vancouver Film School). |
| **SCIENCE:** We will be learning the topic: Life Cycles. This will mostly be about the life cycles of flowering plants, but we will also look at human and animal life cycles (concentrating on stages not reproduction). |
| **GEOGRAPHYY:** We will be moving on to ‘Coastlines’; studying their natural geographical features, how they change through erosion, and how humans impact on them (development and wildlife). |
| **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Pupils will learn about different rituals in five main religious faiths. |
| **PHYSICAL EDUCATION:** This term pupils will continue with Multi-skills and also focus on striking and fielding skills. |
| **ART/DT:** Pupils will be working on project linked to Science: modelling aliens from clay and junk. Pupils will also sketch flowers and used the sketches to develop 3D models using wire and tissue. |
| **ICT:** We Are **We are Statisticians:** Pupils will collect and explore data using software tools. Analyse data and write a report, |
| **MUSIC**: We will be exploring lyrics and melodies and showcasing our work in a final performance. |

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| **REMINDERS:** |
| **HOMEWORK:** Completed homework must be handed in on time.  **TARGETS:** Targets can be found in pupils’ home school diaries.  **SPELLINGS:** Pupils must practice their weekly spellings and apply words learnt to their writing.  **HOME READERS:** Please ensure that all home reading sheets are signed and home readers are brought in.  Please have all home reading books from school returned by Friday 18th July, 2014.  **PE KITS:**  Pupils must bring their PE kits on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.  IN HOT WEATHER: Please apply sunscreen before school (do NOT bring it in), bring a hat, and a water bottle. |

**Best wishes, the year 5 team: Mrs Chetty, Ms Soar, Miss Sadiq, Mrs Dodd and Mrs Cisotta.**