

How do we witness change?

This term our class question is 'How do we witness change?' We will be thinking about change in a lot of different ways across our subjects; looking at materials and changing properties in science, climate change in geography, and change throughout life in English.

In English we will be looking at a number of different genres this term. To further understand narrative writing, we will be focusing on the book 'Window' by Jeannie Baker. We will also be looking at persuasive writing in the form of speeches and finally moving onto poetry at the end of the term.

In Maths we are further our knowledge by looking at decimals, as well as area/perimeter and statistics. We will finish this term with an arithmetic and problem-solving assessment to check how our knowledge is progressing throughout Year 5.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the office directly and I will be able to get in touch with you from there.

Miss Paggett

PE

This term the children will need to bring **appropriate PE kits** on a **Wednesday** to take part in our PE lessons. These lessons could be indoor or outdoor so please make sure the children have everything necessary.

This term we are also taking part in **swimming lessons**. These will take place on a **Monday** and the children will need to bring **appropriate kits in a bag**.

Forest School

This term we will be doing Forest School on **Friday the 7th March**.

Children are to come to school in their forest school kit.

As the weather is very changeable this term please ensure that the children have appropriate layers as well as hats, gloves, etc.

Important Dates: **Book Week 3rd – 7th March**
Break the Rules Day - 14th March

Where's Wally Dress up Day – 6th March
TEGNO Games – 4th April

Homework

As the children move up the school it is important to begin preparing them for Year 6 and Secondary School, this means setting clear expectations for homework over the year.

Children will be given compulsory nurture homework activities that are to be completed each week and will be monitored. The children are expected to read at least three times a week and for this to be noted on the reading card they have been given. Weekly spellings are also provided for the children to practice as well as being on spelling shed. Every Friday the children will have a short 10 question spelling test to monitor this. Times tables practice can be done via TTRockstars where appropriate questions will be set for them to access.

Children are also given the opportunity to take part in challenge homework activities. These consist of Maths, English, and Topic tasks that relate to our learning, as well as a task that will contribute to their Cultural Passport Award. These activities are completely optional but the children are invited to take part in order to further their learning.

If you have any problems accessing the websites needed for homework let me know as soon as possible and we will try our best to rectify any issues for you.