



# Foxes and Hedgehogs Autumn newsletter



Welcome to year 5. We are so excited for this year. There will be so much happening!

We strongly believe in the partnership between school and parents in every child's learning. Each term we will send home a curriculum newsletter outlining the work your children will be covering. We hope this will help you to support your child at home.

If you require an appointment at any time to discuss anything, please contact the school office who will be happy to arrange a time.

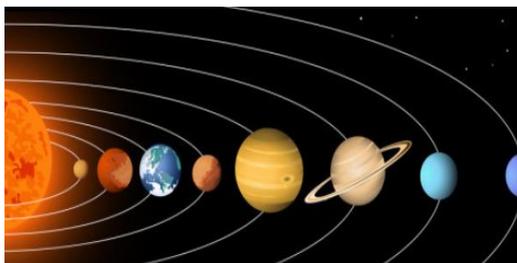
## Geography, Art and Science

Our first unit is 'Extreme environments'.



In Geography we will discuss a range of biomes and climate zones including Polar regions, the Rainforest and Underwater.

In Art the children will create artwork with acrylics on canvas.



In science we will be looking at Earth and space. Children will learn how to describe the movement of the Earth and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system. We will discuss the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night.

## PE

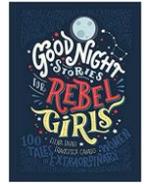
In PE the children will be taught ball skills, team work and fitness through football and hockey. They will be taught dance, then design and perform their own routine in small groups.

**Please ensure an outdoor PE kit is in school each day.**



## English

In English this term, we will be focusing on a range of writing types for different audiences and purposes. This will include using several rich texts. We will be writing biographies, diaries, non-chronological reports and narratives.



We will be having daily spelling lessons looking at homophones and a range of spelling patterns. Weekly spelling tests will focus on the Common Exception Words. Please support your child with their weekly spelling test practice.

## Maths

In year 5, we will be striving to continue to build upon our mathematical skills and understanding by further developing our knowledge of:

- Place Value and ordering numbers, including negative numbers and roman numerals.
- Improving mental methods, rounding and estimating skills.
- Times tables and corresponding division facts will be a main focus in mental maths lessons. Please support your child practising these at home.
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions

## RE



In RE lessons this term we will introduce Judaism. The children will learn about the concept of Family life for Jews through Shabbat.

## PSHE



This term the children will discuss how to make their community a better place, thinking about everyone's right to learn. They will learn how to care about people's feelings and how to work well with others.

