

# Year 5 – Autumn Term 1

**Hello** and a warm welcome to a new school year! It is so lovely to see all the children looking smart in their uniforms and back in school. We have started the term well and children are beginning to understand the responsibilities and behaviours expected now they are in Upper Key Stage 2.

Ms Walliss is our Learning Support Assistant this year and Mrs Dangerfield will take the class every other Thursday. If you have any queries or concerns, do see me after school or contact me via Seesaw.

## Maths

This we will start by recapping place value, rounding numbers and comparing larger numbers up to 1,000,000. We will also work on Roman Numerals.

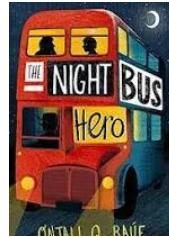
We will be extending our knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and finding out about factors, multiples, square, cube and prime numbers.

Towards the end of the term, we will be working on fractions, including adding and subtracting them.

**How can I help?** Top marks education has lots of fun maths games! [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

Make sure they keep practising on **Times Tables Rock Stars** – last year's login still works for them.

## English



This term our shared reader will be the book *'The Night Bus Hero'* by Onjali Rauf.

Children do not need to have their own copy but are welcome to purchase a copy and bring it into school if you wish.

We will be focusing on reading and writing, being inspired by what we read and developing our writing skills. We will be using a book called *'Arthur and the Golden Rope'*.

### How can I help?

Please listen to your child read at home as much as you can because this really helps with their fluency and accuracy in school.

## Curriculum

This term the children will be learning all about the Forces and mechanisms in science. We will look at what makes one object faster than another and explore the world of air and water resistance. Our history topic for the Autumn term is something new, learning all about the kingdom of Benin. We will be answering key questions such as how the kingdom began and its connection to the slave trade. In PSHE our topic is titled *'Me and my relationships'* which will explore how we all have a range of emotions that can change and that we can often display different emotions to those we are close to.

P.E will take place on a **Monday and Wednesday afternoon** each week. It is really important to bring your school P.E kit in on this day. I would also recommend that you bring a water bottle in if you can as although the weather may be changing for the worst soon, it can still get very hot and thirsty work during this lesson.

## E -safety reminder:

Most social media sites (Snapchat, Instagram, Tik-tok etc.) have a lower age limit of 13. If you have permitted your child to use these sites, do you know who they are talking to? Or what they are posting? If your child enjoys gaming (especially games like Fortnite (12+ rating)), again do you know who is in any group chat with them?

It is recommended that if your child is on-line, that they do it in somewhere like the sitting room, rather than in their bedroom –it helps you know they are safe on line.

