

## Year 5 Weekly Newsletter

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to school, after what we hope was a relaxing and restful half-term. We have been so impressed with how the children have come back, ready and rearing to go – which is just as well given how action packed this term is!

In Literacy this week, we have begun to delve into A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. Not only is it appropriate in the build up to the coming holidays, but it also ties in nicely to our study of the Victorians in History. We have started with the analysis and exploration of the character of Scrooge, and why Dickens chose to portray him in such a fashion.

In Maths we started with an open ended investigation (how many children do *you* think we could fit in our classrooms?), and were amazed at the sheer depth and variety of thinking used. Currently, we are focusing on place value, particularly with regards to large numbers. This is in preparation for the study of formal addition and subtraction methods, as well as using measurements, later this term.

Please remember that we have two trips booked for this term, and that we require permission slips before we can take your child. Come and speak to your class teacher if you need another letter!

**Please may we remind you that all children need their indoor shoes in school each day.**

We are greatly excited to be back, and are anticipating another fantastic term!

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