## Newsletter Year 5 Miss Shepherd/Mrs Fletcher Autumn Term 1 2023

# **English**

This term, we will be looking at a non-fiction text based on David Attenborough. We will then use this knowledge to write our own biography on another famous person.



We will focus on using our inference skills to deduce information from the text about characters whilst studying Year 5 grammar objectives:

- Similes
- Brackets
- Colons to separate clauses
- Expanded Noun phrases
- Using conjunctions, prepositions and adverbs

In our WCR lessons, we will learn and practice the skills of summarising, inferring, improving our word knowledge and understanding characters feelings and motives through reading some short texts and at times some longer texts.

Our WCGR text this half term is the Last Bear.



#### Maths

We will follow Power Maths, which will include these maths topics:

- Place value within 100,000
- Rounding
- Roman Numerals
- Place value within 1,000,000
- Negative numbers
- Adding and subtracting



Each week, we will complete timed multiplication grids two times a week, as well as additional sessions to focus on times table skills.

## Geography//History/Science

This term in our Geography we will be focusing on the topic Coasts and Tourism.

We will be looking at the following:

- What are the key features of the UK coastline?
- How do the sea and weather shape the coast?
- How can we protect the coast from erosion?
- Is it OK to let some coastlines erode naturally?



In History, we are looking at the Industrial Revolution and its links to Derbyshire. We are hoping to go on a trip to Cromford Mills in November; more information to follow!

In Science, the children will be learning about 'living things and their habitats' with a focus on reproduction. The children will be looking at the reproduction of animals and plants

### Other Information

P.E:
Our PE days will be Monday & Thursday, we ask that children continue to come school in their PE kits on these days.



Reading

I will allocate individual reading time throughout the week alongside our whole class guided reading sessions. Please make sure your child is also reading at home, you can add your child's video to their Dojo portfolio to earn extra 'Reading at Home' Dojos.



Spellings will be set on spelling shed every **Monday**. These will be learnt throughout the week in school, please encourage your child to practice their spellings on spelling shed throughout the week. Spellings will be then tested on the following Monday.

Challenges will be set on Times Table Rockstar on a weekly basis. We will do a times table grid two times a week to check the children's progress.

