

# WELCOME!

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**Autumn Term**  
**September 2023 - October 2023**

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We hope that you and your children have had the best summer break! We are thrilled to welcome your children to their first half term in year 5. We have some exciting topics to kick start the year, including: Dracula and The Mayans. These are some of our teachers favourite topics and we hope that your children enjoy them as much as their teachers will. This half term is all about your children settling into Upper Key Stage 2 and getting use to new routines and expectations. We cannot wait to see your children flourish over the next half term!

Please remember our 'Meet the teacher' dates **on Wednesday 6th September at 3.30pm and on Thursday 7th September at 3.30pm.**

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to pop into school or email your child's class teacher.

**Many thanks, Mrs Phipps and Mr Gardner 😊**

### **Writing lessons:**

Our topic for this half term will be writing focused. We will be reading the book Dracula and the children will be completing a variety of writing linked to events from the story.

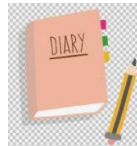


The children will be writing a character description of Dracula in the form of a Wanted poster. They will also be writing a letter to one of the characters from the book. The children will also write a setting description of Whitby- which is where the book is based.

### **Weekly Calendar:**

#### **Tuesday-**

P.E.- Please send your children to school in their PE kit on this day.



#### **Friday**

**Homework-**Return homework and new homework set.

### **You can help your child by:**

- Listening to them read on a regular basis and completing children's reading records.
- Supporting them with their homework each week.
- Allowing them to carry out any extra research at home. This can be linked to our History, Science and Writing topics.

### **This half terms learning:**

#### **Science**

Forces- this unit will teach the children how forces affect everything around us.

pushes and pulls - forces and motion



#### **Computing**

Sharing information- the children will develop their understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems.

#### **PSHE**

Being me in my world- this unit will explore rights and responsibilities.

#### **RE**

The children will be learning about a range of religions by exploring the question- Why are some journeys and places special?

#### **PE**

Exercise and fitness  
Hockey



#### **Art**

Sculpture- the children will be creating their own Mayan masks using clay.

#### **French**

Dates- the children will recognise and recall the 12 months of the year in French.



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