





<p>Welcome back to Year 5/6! We hope you had a great half-term break. Please see below for an outline of our topics and learning opportunities this half term. As always, any parental encouragement and support will make a huge difference to pupils' learning. We are looking forward to an exciting and successful term.</p>		
English		<p>This half term we will be continuing our study of <i>Hidden Figures</i> and will also read <i>Curiosity</i>, linking to our science topic Space. The texts will inspire our own writing, such as persuasive letters, character descriptions, non-chronological reports and diary entries.</p>
Poem to learn by heart	<p><i>Winter</i> by Judith Nicholls The children will be learning this poem by heart – please encourage practice at home!</p>	
Maths	<p>We will be learning mental strategies and written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will then move on to studying fractions. Pupils will benefit from practising basic skills, especially times tables (e.g. Times Tables Rockstars), at home.</p>	
Science	<p>In science, our topic of Earth and Space will continue, with a focus on the skills required for working scientifically. We will learn about day and night and our solar system.</p>	
PE	<p>Please come to school in PE kit on the following days: Otters – Thursday; Foxes - Friday; Rabbits – Monday This term we will be learning skills for tag rugby.</p>	
History	<p>We will investigate, 'Are developments in technology are always a good thing?'. Areas we will research will include changes to the telephone, music technology, robotics, cameras and gaming.</p>	
Art and Design Area of Skills & Focus Artist	<p>Painting and colour</p> <p>Vincent Van Gogh</p> 	
RE	<p>We will be learning about the beliefs and practices of the Hindu faith, including an exciting workshop.</p>	
Music	<p>Music and Technology</p>	
Design Technology	<p>Our focus will be food and nutrition. The children will plan and prepare a Mediterranean dish or bread for an Italian family.</p>	
MFL	<p>In our French lessons, we will continue to learn how to talk about ourselves. Lessons will include games and songs to help us learn.</p>	
PSHE	<p>Celebrating Difference</p>	
Computing	<p>Computer systems and networks - Communication and Collaboration</p>	