What we are covering this term:

Literacy: Talk for Writing; non-chronological reports; recounts; modern fiction; and books from our Literary Heritage

Maths: Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

Science: Friction and Resistance

Creative Curriculum: Our Foundation Subjects will be

inter-woven into our topic question:

'What lies beneath the Waves of the Ocean?'



Our class novel in

Term 2 will be

'The Ghost of Grania

O'Malley'

by Michael Morpurgo

Resources needed from home:

Please read regularly with your child at home. Frequent and enjoyable sessions with you, where you check your child understands the events in the story, will make a significant difference to their long term development.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to talk to us on the school yard at 3.15 pm or make an appointment at the office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Wingrove Primary School

Spring Term Year 5 2018



Key Dates:

Term Dates:

Monday 8th January – Wednesday 28th March

Half Term:

Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Parents' Evenings:

Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th March

Teacher Training Days:

Friday 23rd February Thursday 29th March

Termly Trip:

Newbiggin-by-the-Sea Thursday 1st March (TBC)

Organisation

Children are allowed to enter school from 8.45am and must be in their classroom by 8.55am.

Lunch Time: **12.00pm until 12.55pm** (home dinners return at 12.55pm).

Home Time: **3.15pm** when children are led to the yard by their teacher.

P.E. Day: Wednesday

P.E. Kit Needed: T-shirt, black shorts, tracksuit and trainers. Children should not wear jewellery. A Wingrove P.E. T-shirt is available to purchase from the office.

Uniform – All children are expected to wear a white shirt or polo shirt; grey, black or navy trousers or skirt; a red or blue sweat sweatshirt and school shoes. Headscarves, if worn, should be shoulder length and either plain black, blue or red. Selected items can be purchased from the school office.

Classroom Rules

- Treat people as I wish to be treated
- Mistakes are fine as long as we are trying our best
- Listen to the person talking
- Respect the classroom environment
- Always be courteous
- Always be honest

The Year 5 Team

The members of our teaching team are:

Phase Leader: Ms West
Class teachers: Mr Barker
Mr Wilson

Support staff: Mr MacLeod

Mrs Mead

Homework

Frequent reading for pleasure and understanding is an essential homework and has long-term benefits: new language, enhanced comprehension and improving ideas for writing in school are some of the benefits.

Homework is project-based and will be linked to our creative curriculum questions. They may require children to research a topic and then present their findings. Children are encouraged to take pride in the presentation of their homework. It should be well-presented. Children usually have 2-3 weeks to complete project tasks.

Maths homework will be computer-based using our new school programme, MyMaths.

In addition, we also expect the children to practise spellings and multiplication tables at home, on a regular basis.

If your child is a free reader here are some suggested authors:

Michael Morpurgo, Clive King, Elizabeth Laird, Beverly Naidoo, Anne Fine, Malorie Blackman, Phillip Pullman.