Nacton C of E Primary School

Half Termly Newsletter

Year 5 and Year 6 – Autumn 2

Dear families,
We have had a fantastic start to the year, and cannot wait to continue our amazing learning this half term!
Below you will find an overview of our curriculum this half term and what we will be learning in each subject. If you have any questions, please do come and speak to your class teacher.
We would like to thank you for your continued support and engagement with your child's learning.
Team Nacton

English Our English work this half term will be based on the book 'The Highwayman'. We will be writing fiction and non-fiction pieces based on this.	**Maths** Our maths units of learning this half term are fractions and multiplication and division.	**Science** Our focus in science is electricity, where we will what components make a circuit, what a complete and incomplete circuit are and investigating voltage.
Geography In geography, we will be learning about Global Issues. This includes looking at different climate zones, factors that contribute to climate change and what people are doing to reduce climate change.	**Computing** In computing, we will be learning all about digital literacy. This will be about spreadsheets; how to read and interpret them, and how to use them to file different types of data.	**Design and Technology** Our focus in DT is Global Food. We will be learning a range of cooking techniques, and creating dishes from around the globe.
Religious Education In RE, we learning about Islam, and what the Qur'an reveals about Allah and his guidance.	**Physical Education** PE this half term includes fitness, including different ways to keep fit, and netball, working on passing, catching, shooting and tactics.	**PSHE** Children will be learning about Health and Wellbeing. This includes learning about mindfulness, resilience, and why it is important to keep ourselves healthy.
Music In music, Mr Watson (our guitar teacher) will be teaching the children a range of notes on the guitar, and introducing them to play a range of songs.	**French** We will continue our unit 'Des animaux au zoo.' Pupils will explore authentic French resources before writing their own version of Cher Zoo.	

Important dates:	Home learning expectations:
5th November: SATS information evening for Year 6 parents' straight afterschool in Foxes class. 7th November: Individual pupil photos 29th November: Christmas decoration making afternoon 3rd December: Open Classrooms after school 6th December: Premier education enrichment day (PE) 17th December: Christmas service at St Martins church and Christmas lunch and activities 20th December: Last day of term.	**Year 5** Times table Rockstars: 15 minutes on garage per week. This will be set on Fridays for the following Fridays. Spelling Shed: 8 games of spelling shed. This will be set on Fridays for the following Friday. Homework: One piece of homework each week, varying in reading, writing, maths and research based on one of our foundation subjects. This will be set on Wednesdays for the following Wednesday. **Year 6** One topic of Maths and English completed per week on yearsix.co.uk. This is set on Wednesdays and must be completed by the following Wednesday. Times table Rockstars: 5 minutes on garage per week. This will be set on Fridays for the following Fridays. Spelling Shed: 5 games of spelling shed. This will be set on Fridays for the following Friday.