



## **Class 5 Spring Term 2020**

Dear parents and carers of children in Class 5,

It's a new year and we are excited about the term ahead!

This term we continue to encourage year 5 to become independent and reflective learners. We already see the pupils are maturing and more able to manage their learning and behaviours in a calm and sensible manner. They are a fabulous group with many talents.

This term our theme is Social Injustice - 'Caring for the people of the World' - and Year 5 will be learning about various aspects including prejudice, slavery, law and immigration. The project will be the basis for much of our curriculum and many of our lessons. The pupils discussed which aspects they wanted to learn about and are excited about the theme.

In English, we are beginning the term by studying different texts from Palestine that include aspects of Poetry and the culture in that region. We will be writing stories, poetry and holding debates on this subject. We will also cover other aspects of Palestinian Life and how the Romans influenced that region.

We will continue to encourage regular reading in Year 5. We hope parents will support the pupils by discussing their reading at home. Talking and understanding what texts are inferring is as important as being able to read the words. Please continue to discuss the books your child is reading and ask lots of questions so that they can practice their reading comprehension skills. The children will also do weekly comprehension tasks.

In Maths, we will continue to study a wide variety of topics including using number, algebra, statistics, problem solving and written calculations. Please keep practising their times tables also – it will make maths so much easier!

PE will take place on Wednesday afternoons with Mr Waldron for the first half term. Please ensure your child has a FULL change of kit including trainers EVERY DAY in school. Some pupils will also be invited to other sporting events during the term. We will also continue with our daily mile.

If you would like to talk about any aspect of your child's education or well-being, please do so. One of us is usually around after school, or you can make an appointment through the school office. There is also 'Parent Consultation Week' just before February half term when we can spend more time discussing your child's progress

At the end of the Spring Term we will be holding various events to raise money for EDUKID in our EDUKID week. Please look out for events that will be planned by the pupils.

Mrs Gagg and Mrs Dickinson

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