

## Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below details of the work that your child's class will be doing during this term. We have also suggested ways in which you can help your child at home. Included with this information you will also find an overview of how we deal with behavioural issues in school.

Thank you for your support, Miss Sneade and Mrs Byrom

Class: Year 5

Term: Spring

Theme: Plastic Planet

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During the Spring term, our topic is Plastic Planet, which focuses on states of matter, our environment and the impact we are having on the planet. To start the term, we will focus on recycling and sustainability in our local area. We will then compare this to the rest of the United Kingdom, before looking at recycling across the world.

In *Languages, Literacy, and Communication*, the pupils will discuss countries with no infrastructure and how this has an impact on the environment. Pupils will also create their own documentary, encouraging others to use less plastic and to recycle their waste. We will look at spelling, grammar and focus on our class novel- Nellie choc-ice and the Plastic Island.

In *Maths & Numeracy*, the pupils will learn about the four operations, fractions, decimals and percentages, perimeter, area and time. Pupils will apply these skills across all areas of learning through our topic and in real-life situations.

Main areas of study:

In *Humanities*, the pupils will learn about the history of plastic, ways in which we can help to improve waste in our local area and the challenges faced in other countries cross the globe. We will be learning about Chinese New Year, Ramadan, Eid and Easter. Pupils will then look at similarities and differences in these celebrations.

In *Science and Technology*, the pupils will learn about states of matter and chemical reactions. Pupils will look at and identify basic elements in the periodic table and reversible and irreversible changes linked to the need for recycling due to the degradation time of plastic. Pupils will finally look into Michael Faraday and the work he has

In *Expressive Arts*, the pupils will complete various pieces of art, participate in drama activities, and will undertake lessons based on digital film and media. In our PE slots, pupils will participate in dance routines and perform them for each other.

In *Health & Well-being*, the pupils will be developing their empathy skills throughout a range of circle time and topic-based lessons and book related activities. Our PE slots are on a Wednesday and pupils are expected to wear appropriate PE kit. Pupils will undertake a range of dance activities relating to their topic, and participate in a range of striking and fielding games.

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Ways in which you can help at home:	<ul> <li>Please listen to your child reading at home every night (a Reading Diary is provided for you to make comments).</li> <li>Visit the local library to choose books relevant to topics being studied at school.</li> <li>Please make sure that your child logs in to TT Rockstars and that they practise their times tables.</li> <li>Support your child in practising their spellings and tables for their tests every Friday</li> </ul>
Ways you can help us?	Do you have any expertise in this area and would like to share it with us?
	Do you have any artefacts, photos or interesting objects we could use?

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