

# YEAR 5 SUMMER 2

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2021



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the holidays. I hope you had a good rest and enjoyed the lovely weather we had. We are already at our final half term in Year 5! I hope the children are ready for a hard-working yet fun seven weeks.

To begin the half term, our English work will all be cross-curricular, wound in with our 'Amazon Basin' topic in geography. To begin with, we will be writing a persuasive letter from the perspective of a child living in an Amazonian tribe. We will be complaining to the government about a prospective railway due to be built across the rainforest to transport local produce. I know the children will love getting bossy to put across their opinions! Following this, we will complete another cross curricular piece; a non-chronological report about the Amazon rainforest (including animals, plants and human/physical features). Everyone will get the opportunity to choose what to focus in on and to be creative.

Once we have finished our cross-curricular writing, I am looking forward to reading our final book of the year. This is a new book for me so I cannot wait to get stuck into it! We will use the text as a stimulus for our own narrative as well as writing a radio broadcast.

Throughout all of our English lessons, we will continue to consolidate and move forwards with our SPaG knowledge, in particular the use of inverted commas for speech, past/present progressive, modal verbs and revision of prepositions and possessive apostrophes.

In maths this half term, we will complete a geometry topic, focusing on properties of shape as well as position and direction. We will learn to identify the types of angles as well as how to measure accurately with a protractor. We will also recap our knowledge of triangles and quadrilaterals, and complete new learning about polygons (regular and irregular) and 3D shapes. There will be a problem solving and reasoning focus once a week, applying what we have learnt. We will also have a short session each week to work on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please visit our website to see our knowledge organisers.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,  
Miss Wood



### Important Days

#### **Monday:**

Reading books changed

#### **Thursday:**

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

#### **Friday:**

Spelling test

Mental maths mini test

### **Important Dates**

WC 14.6.21 – Food bank appeal for SVP

14.6.21 – Health week – children come in sports clothes all week

25.6.21 – KS2 Sport's Day @ 9:30am

29.6.21 – Whole school mass led by Y6 @ 11am

1.7.21 – Minnie Vinnie and School Council cake sale for CAFOD

1.7.21 – Y5 Class assembly @ 9:30am

9.7.21 – Reports to parents

9.7.21 – Moving up morning

9.7.21 – Catch-up classes end

12.7.21 – Mary's Meals Mug appeal closes

13.7.21 – Moving up morning

19.7.21 – Meet the new teacher moving up session 9:15 - 10:15am

20.7.21 – Y6 Leavers' Mass in church @ 2pm

21.7.21 – Y5 & Y5 disco (come to school in party clothes)

23.7.21 – Whole School Mass @ 9:30am

23.7.21 – School closes

