

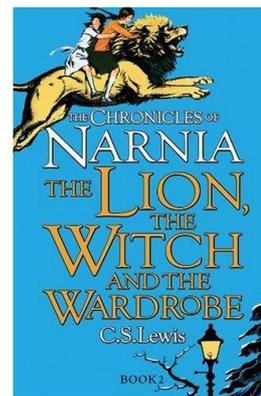
YEAR 5 AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2021

Hello!

Welcome to Year Five, Mrs Campbell and I are delighted to be working with your children this year. They have settled in extremely well and we are already so impressed with their positive attitudes towards learning and effort.

During the first half of the autumn term, we will be reading the book 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson. This is a great story of an orphaned girl's adventure into the Amazon Rainforest. After the holidays, we will begin reading Narnia – the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, where a group of siblings are evacuated to the countryside during WW2. I know this adventure will inspire some fantastic story writing.

Our first topic this half term is South America. Children will study different geographical aspects including key locational facts such as the countries and capital cities. Also, they will research the real life Paddington Bear! After this, we will begin our exciting WW2 topic, in which children will discover more about the Blitz and evacuation.



We will be visiting Broxfield Farm on **Tuesday 19th October 2021**.

This is a fantastic opportunity for children to experience life on a working dairy farm and learn more about their science topic –“Animals, Including Humans”.

In P.E. we will focus on hockey as our sport. With both NUF coaches and me, children will practise skills in attacking and defending and play competitively within P.E. lessons. P.E. days are **THURSDAY** and **FRIDAY**.



Homework for this half term can be found in the front of children's homework books and also online on Google Classroom. Homework is due back in every **FRIDAY**.

Spellings will also be issued every half term. The list of 50 will be practised in school and there is still an expectation that children will practise at home. The test will be in the last week before the holidays.

Please encourage children to access **READING PLUS** and **TIMES TABLES**

Our science topic this half term is animals, including humans. Children will discover more about the human life cycle, gestation periods and the changes that adolescents experience during puberty.

If you do have any concerns or queries please get in touch via the school office and I will endeavour to contact you as soon as possible.