

# Year 5 Summer 1 Newsletter



## PSHE

During class/cohort weekly assembly slots, Year 5 have PSHE lessons. At Knavesmire, we use a scheme called *My Life*. This half-term's theme is **puberty**. More information, about the scheme and topics, can be found on our school website.

## English/ Big Idea

**Our end goal:** To re-enact an Anglo-Saxon battle.

This half-term, the children will be guided through Our Learning Journey with questions about the Anglo-Saxons.

In English, the children will be writing a non-chronological report about the Anglo-Saxons. The knowledge required, in order to write the report, will be gained from our Big Idea lessons. After Year 5's residential to Carlton Lodge, they will be writing a recount of their 3-day trip away.

## Class Novels

Before lunch, each class teacher will read to their class for 10-15 minutes everyday.

## Reading

All children have a yellow reading record which they have been given to record their reading with adults in. Children are aiming to read with an adult **a minimum of four times per week**. Some children, in Year 5, are 'diamond watch' readers which means that they are required to read a banded book with an adult. These children are aware of who they are and should be regularly reading their banded books with an adult at home (as well as adults in school). As soon as your child has finished with their banded book, it is essential that they bring it in **the next day** for it to be changed for a new one. Other children, who are not 'diamond watch' readers may read an age-appropriate book, suitable for their ability, to an adult. All children must bring their reading book into school daily. Reading records will be checked on Wednesday mornings.

## Spellings

The children will have a weekly spelling test, on Friday, which will focus on a spelling rule. The spellings in the test will all follow this rule. The rule will be specified in the children's yellow spelling books (that will be sent home with them), and can be practised on Spelling Shed.

## Maths

Throughout this half-term, the children will be covering decimals and percentages.

The children are encouraged to practise their times tables as often as possible, which includes going on websites such as *TT Rockstars*, *NumberGym* and *Hit The Button*. Times tables are applicable to much of what the children do so any practise, at home, would be greatly appreciated in addition to what the children are already doing in school!

## PE (Monday and Friday)

The children will be running The Golden Mile, at the start of this half-term, before moving onto net games. The children will be focusing on the acquisition of various skills required in the game of tennis, such as hand-eye coordination, to then take part in a tennis competition at the end of the half-term. **Please can the children bring in their PE kits on Mondays and Fridays.**

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the Y5 Team via the office, and we will aim to get back to you as soon as possible, or catch us on the playground.