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Dear Families

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a lovely half term and are ready for the final half term in Year 5! It is a busy one with events such as sports days and a visit to Robin Hill on Thursday 15th June.

This half term our Topic continues to follow the theme of Explorers: Earth and Space. We will be focusing on modern day explorers, such as Shackleton and Armstrong, and finding out about Space, the Solar System and different regions of the planet Earth.

Our class books for English this term will be Curiosity: The Story of a Mars Rover by Markus Motum and Ice Trap! Shackleton's Incredible Expedition by Meredith Hooper. We will be using these texts to generate ideas for writing.

Please continue to either hear your child read as often as possible or encourage them to read to themselves (five times a week would be ideal). In addition we would like children to keep practising their times tables at home.

The family homework for this half term is to write a biography of an explorer (other than Shackleton or Armstrong). It must include facts and details of the explorer's successes and failures. The homework must be in by Monday 10th July. This can be presented as a power point (bring in on a memory stick) or on paper.

This half term, Year 5 will be focusing on athletics, rounders and tennis during PE. PE days continue to be on Mondays and Wednesdays. We hope to be outside for all of our PE lessons; sun-cream or a hat is in addition to a water bottle is advisable in the summer term.

The PSHE unit of work for this half term continues to be relationships. As part of the scheme, we will be talking about sexual relationships in accordance with the national curriculum. If you have any questions about the content please ask a member of staff.

Please make an appointment to speak with us if you have any questions or if you need to share any information about your child or home life, which may have an impact on their learning.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Adams, Miss Saddington, Mrs Norsworthy, Miss Hume, Miss Gallop.



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