

Class 5 Newsletter Spring 2015

Topic

Our main topic for the Spring term is 'Stars and Stripes' and we will be making links to the USA in many different areas of the curriculum particularly geography. Maths links will include activities on distance, population and data handling, temperature differences and also time zones. We have started our new class novel *The Midnight Fox*, which is set in the USA, and children have really enjoyed it so far! We will also be looking at Earth and Space, including through English, art and science.

Spellings

Weekly spellings will continue to be tested each Friday and children will need to bring their spelling book into school every Friday. If you could encourage your child to practise their spellings at home it would be much appreciated. This week, we have focused on the following 4 'rules' for writing super sentences using our weekly spellings:

- Find the meaning of a word before using it.
- Use accurate punctuation.
- Avoid using I/My/The etc to start sentences, using good openers or conjunctions instead.
- Include interesting vocabulary.

P.E.

Our P.E. sessions this term will be indoors on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. We have started our gymnastics sessions, revising safety rules, and will progress to using a wider range of floor and wall apparatus in the forthcoming weeks. Please could children try to take responsibility for their own kit as we are having to lend kit each week and you wouldn't believe some of the excuses that the children come up with for not having it in school...!

School Website

Please keep an eye on our class page for information on spellings and homework tasks, as well as general class news.

Finally...

As always, thank you for your support and please do not hesitate to speak to myself or another member of staff in Class 5 if you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs Natalie Johnson