



HAWKSWORTH WOOD  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Year 5

Mr Wright, Miss Schmidt – Colfer Class

### English

This half term, our English learning will continue to focus on our in-depth study of Macbeth, written by William Shakespeare.

Building on our previous writing (diary entries and letters), we will be continuing to analyse character and plot to write a balanced argument debating power and to write the story of Macbeth from a different character's perspective.

### Maths

In maths, Year 5 will focus on fractions, decimals, and percentages, developing our understanding of number relationships. We will also explore statistics, learning to interpret data, before strengthening their addition and subtraction skills.

Later, we will apply our knowledge to measurement, solving real-world problems using accurate calculations and reasoning.

### Topic

In History, we will be look at 'What was life like in Tudor times?'. We will investigate Henry VIII using portraits and written sources, justifying interpretations with evidence. They will explore his marriages in the Tudor context and examine power, punishment, and wealth through historical sources. Pupils will also analyse inventories, evaluating their reliability and creating their own Tudor inventory.

### Science

Our science topic this half term will be 'Animals: Human Timeline'. We will explore human growth and development, from birth to old age. They will learn about physical changes, puberty, and gestation across species. Using scientific skills, we will interpret data, analyse growth patterns and create graphs to track and predict changes in height over time.

### How you can help at home

Spellings and homework are available on SeeSaw.

PE – **Monday** - Please remember to wear your school PE Kit on a **Monday** for our long PE session. School PE kit must be worn- plain white t-shirt, black or navy jogging bottoms and either a school jumper or navy jumper for colder days.

Reading books and Reading Records will be checked and changed home to your child every **Monday**. Children should be reading at least twice a week. Books and reading records must be returned to school every day.

Practicing times tables- TT Rockstars is a great way to practice. Please let your child's teacher know if there any problems with logging in and accessing this at home.

### Key Information

#### Upcoming trips

#### Whitby Residential:

- Jackson Class – 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> March
- Colfer Class – 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> March

Intensive swimming sessions – 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> April

Red Nose Day - 21<sup>st</sup> March

Parents Evening – 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Extravaganza – 3<sup>rd</sup> April