Ashmole Primary School Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5 Spring Term 4 2015-2016

Homework
Given out each Friday and to be returned on the following Wednesday.

Reading
Children should read every day at home, and their reading record should be signed by an adult.

Spellings
Words to learn will be given out every Friday with homework and children will be tested the following Friday.

PE kit
PE kits need to be in school every Monday and will be sent home on Fridays. This term, Year 5 will continue to go to **The Oval** on Thursday afternoons to complete an afternoon of sport and computing at the **Ben Hollioake Centre.**

Important dates
On Friday 11th March, the work created by children across the school for Ashmole Book Fortnight will be on display in the hall from 3:30 – 4pm. You are warmly invited to come and see it!

This term our learning will be based around the theme of

'Life after conflict'

Children will learn about the following…

Maths: Children will focus on statistics: presenting information in bar and line graphs and interpreting them to solve sum, comparison and difference problems. They will also solve problems using their knowledge of fractions and percentages.

English: Inspired by their visits from author David Lucas, children will plan, write and publish their own picture books. They will also write a set of instructions linked to their topic.

Science: Earth and space. Children will study planet Earth's movement in space and how its rotation causes day and night. They will also learn about the orbit of Earth and other planets in the Solar System.

History: Children will study some historical conflicts, identifying causes and effects. In particular they will focus on the conflict of World War 2 and its effect on life in Britain.

Geography: Children will conduct their own research on the effect of conflict on the geography of a country, including the impact on economic activity and distribution of natural resources.

Art/DT: Children will create their own resources to support the resolution of smaller-scale conflicts at school, such as in the playground. Children will focus on making these eye-catching and attractive.

PE: Cricket coaching at the Oval

RE: Sikh worship and community

Computing: Computational thinking (part 2)/programming and coding

Music: Stop! (Charanga)

Spanish: Fruit/food

PSHE and Citizenship: Relationships with others

You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:

- Encourage your child to read their reading book every day and ask them about what has happened in the story – don't forget to sign and date in their reading record book!
- Daily spelling practice
- Practising times table facts up to 12x12 daily
- Support your child in becoming more independent in getting organised for school; packing their own bag and remembering the things they'll need.

We hope you had an enjoyable half term break. We have a short but busy term ahead!

Mr Hollingsworth and the Year 5 team