

# YEAR FIVE NEWSLETTER

News updates from Sheringham Community Primary School & Nursery

## **KEY DIARY DATES**

Year 5/6 Hilltop Trip – Friday 27th to Sunday 29th September

Individual and sibling photos – Wednesday 25th September

Parents Consultation Week – Monday 14th – Friday 18th October

> How can I help? Please see our Year group website for homework, letters and how to contact us.

How can we help? If you have any queries or concerns, please speak to your child's teacher. If you have any questions about your child's time in Year 5 please let us know.

#### English

In English, we are starting the year with a book called 'The Lost Happy Endings' By Carol Ann Duffy in which we will focus on description and figurative language. In the second part of this half term we will be reading 'Hidden Figures' by Margot Lee Shetterly, which recalls the true story of four black women and the space race. Linked to this we will be improving our reading skills in Guided Reading working on 'The Race to Space by Clive Gifford & Paul Daviz.

#### Maths

In Maths this term we will be working on Place Value, Addition and Subtraction. We will be using this understanding to solve different calculations.

We will also be expecting the children to practise their skills using Maths Whizz and Times Tables Rock Stars each week.

#### <u>Science</u>

In Science this half term the Year 5 focus will be on Space. The children will learn about the planets, the moon and the Solar System. This will conclude with a Space Day before half term – more details to follow.

#### Foundation subjects

In History this term we are learning about Inspirational People who have left a lasting legacy people's lives.

In RE the children are learning about Hinduism and how their beliefs have an impact on society and the community they live in.

In Art the children will be focussing on the formal elements and perspective.

In PSHE the children are learning about identity and what makes each of us special and unique.

In PE we will be focusing on the skills needed when playing mini team games.

## **Reading VIPERS**

V - Vocabulary

I - Inference

**P- Prediction** 

**E – Explanation** 

**R- Retrieval** 

S - Summarise

### Homework.

We expect the children to complete at least 30 minutes of 'Maths Whizz' practise each week gaining at least 3 progressions.

Homework this year has a reading and writing focus. There is a list of tasks in homework books based on the VIPERS reading skills. Each week one activity can be chosen from the list to be completed thoroughly based on reading carried out at home. A reading record will no longer be used but it is still vital that all children read with an adult as often as possible.

Practising reading aloud at home increases children's reading accuracy and comprehension.

