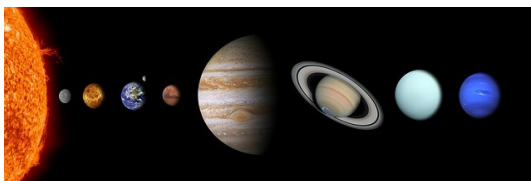




## Year 5 Newsletter

# To Infinity and Beyond!



In **English**, we will be reading a range of different texts, including Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan and The Lost Thing by Shaun Tan. We will be using these to write our own pieces of creative writing, including narratives and poetry.

In **Maths**, we will begin by learning about fractions, including equivalent fractions, comparing and ordering and adding and subtracting. Throughout the year, children will be required to use their times table knowledge to assist them with solving multiplication and division problems. Please support them in practising this at home.

**Topic:** Our topic this term will be 'To Infinity and Beyond,' which will focus on Earth and Space. This will be a fantastic opportunity to learn all about science, the planets, our moon, as well as the history of astronauts and space travel. Is the moon really made of cheese? Why do we have night and day? Topic will include geography and history as well as incorporating exciting opportunities to be creative within art and DT.

**Our PE day will be on Monday and Thursday (Willow) and Tuesday and Thursday (Pine).**

We encourage you to continue to leave P.E kits at school during the week before taking them home at the weekend. Your child will need an indoor and outdoor kit at school.

### **Homework:**

English and Maths homework will be weekly, set on Friday and due in on Tuesday.

We will also be setting a Mathletics challenge per week - please let us know if your child needs new login details.

### **My Spellings:**

We will be continuing to send out weekly spellings to practise at home. These spellings will be based around a particular rule which the students will be learning and practising in class.

**Your child will receive all their homework on a Friday.**

### **Special Mentions:**

Congratulations to all children who have received Head Teacher's awards, Behaviour for Learning certificates, writing awards and pen licences so far - keep up the good work!

### **Key contacts:**

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Designated Child Protection Officers: Mrs Stephens, Miss Williams, Mrs Edmond, Mrs Green and Mrs J. Pritchard

# The Kingsfield Homework

## Challenge:

Hi, children! Desperate to do a bit of extra homework and really impress your teachers? Well now you can, with The Kingsfield Family Behaviours for Learning Extra Homework Challenge! You may even receive extra Kingsfield Coins for your efforts. This will depend on the following factors: the amount of effort you put in; the presentation of the work you bring back, and the accuracy of the work itself. Coins will be awarded at your teacher's discretion. You may even be asked to showcase your work in assembly, in class, or for it to go on the Behaviours for Learning display in school.

The Homework Challenge can be completed anytime in the first half term and during the first half term holiday. Please return all Homework Challenges by Friday 1st March.

### Topic: To Infinity and Beyond!

There are so many fantastic facts to learn about Earth and Space — *Curious Colin asks: 'How many planets orbit the sun? What are they called? How far are they from the sun? Research information about the planets and present in a fact-file, poster or information booklet.'*



*Creative Chloe says: 'Paint, draw, design or make a space art piece and bring it in to display on our Topic board. Or, why not make a space diorama depicting the planets? Or, could you write a poem inspired by the planets or space travel?' Or, could you even design your own planet? What could it be called? What would the inhabitants be called? What would they eat there?' Will you be an Independent Isla or a Caleb the Co-operator to produce your space-inspired creation?*



*Independent Isla says: 'Independently research information on an astronaut or cosmonaut. Will you choose Neil Armstrong, Tim Peake, Buzz Aldrin, Chris Hadfield or Sally Ride? Whoever you choose, research about their life and achievements and present this in any way you wish. Could you create a fact-file? A documentary? A presentation? We can't wait to see what you come up with!*

