

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you enjoyed the bumper half term! This is always a long term so hopefully the longer break will help keep some Winter bugs away as we approach the colder weather. Talking about the colder weather, please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat and warm layers for PE as unless it is very heavy rain Miss Moseley & Mr Nash do try to take the children out.

I have been really pleased by how the children have settled into life as Year 5 children and they have shown an excellent attitude towards their learning — ensuring homework is completed on time and asking for additional practice in areas where they are less confident.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 25th Nov 2019 - Parents' Evening.

Wed 27th Nov 2019 - Parents' Evening.

Mon 6th December 2019 - Helping Hands Christmas Fayre.

Thurs 19th Dec 2019 - Christmas Dinner Day.

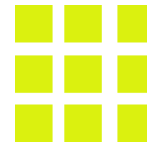
Fri 20th December 2019 - Last Day of Term - Finishing at 1.00pm.

Mon 23rd Dec 2019 - DEVELOPMENT DAY.

As always, please come and see myself or Mrs Smith at any time if you have any questions or you just want to see what your child has been up to! By working together, we can ensure the very best outcomes for your child.

I am very much looking forwards to discussing your child's progress with you at the parents' evenings. Please let me know if the timings do not work for you and I am always happy to work around—meeting before school on a different day. Likewise, if you would like me to allocate a time to you to save you coming into the office please let your child know and I will send home a time slip.

Mrs Tingle
Year 5 Teacher



Nine Acres Primary School

Autumn Term 2 2019

Stirling Class

Mrs Tingle



Mrs Smith



Parent Information Leaflet



'Striving for Excellence'

Year 5 - Autumn 2 2019- Theme: Frozen Kingdoms

Science

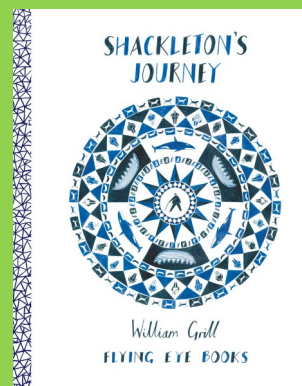
Animals including humans

In this unit we are going to learn to observe and describe the changes as humans develop to old age. We are going to indicate stages in the growth and development of humans on a timeline and also compare human's gestation period to other animals.



English - Shackleton's Journey

This half term our English journey will take inspiration from William Grill's beautiful text 'Shackleton's Journey'. Over the course of the journey we will be looking at poetry, newspaper reports and survival guides. We will also be looking at some abandoned frozen villages to inspire some suspense writing. We will also have opportunities to independently apply learning from the first half term such as a diary writing and writing to persuade - can we persuade Shackleton to let us be a member of his exploration crew? We will also be developing our inference and prediction skills through book club and our English lessons.



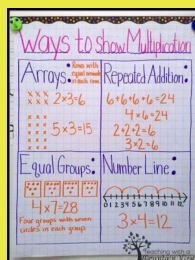
PE

It has been great to see the children's Isle Dance performance start to take shape through their rehearsals on a Thursday. Having come third then second over the last few years, maybe this will be our year to triumph! The children will also continue with PE on a Wednesday afternoon - developing their skills in basketball and football ahead of some inter-school competitions.



Mathematics

This half term we are starting with looking at timetables - a fantastic skill given our island location! We will then be developing the children's strategies for multiplication and division before applying these with a short unit on finding the area and perimeter of shapes. Our times table recall will be essential for these topics so please help us to keep practicing at home. We also have an assessment week in which will inform my planning and will allow me to update you with your child's progress at half term.



Theme: The Alps

This half term we will initially have a fortnight completing our work on the Egyptians—with the children being given the opportunity to research in depth an area of interest for themselves. We will then be moving onto our wintery topic of 'The Alps'. We will be looking at mountain formation, the location of famous mountain ranges around the world, how people adapt to life in the mountains and tourism in this region - linking to our exciting ski trip on the 11th! We also have visitors from the Isle of Wight tourism office talking to us about tourism on the island to enable us to make comparisons. We will also link back to the children's prior knowledge from their volcanoes topic in Year 3.

