JUST TO LET YOU KNOW...

Week 1
Friday 11th January 2019

Key Dates for your diary

Monday 21st Jan - Neasden Temple
Monday 4th Feb - Winchester Science Museum
Tuesday 5th Feb - Safer Internet Day
Friday 15th Feb - FLUFFY(£1 please)
Monday 25th Feb - Back to school

If you have not signed a consent form for these two trips, please do so and ask your child to bring it in on Monday.

Homework

Next week in Literacy we will be writing our own travel brochures for a trip to a planet in our solar system. In order to plan the activities, the children will need to know some basic facts about a planet. Your child needs to find some facts about the planet: _____

Here are some questions they could think about: How many moons does the planet have? What is the surface of the planet like? What is the temperature? How long is its orbit? Does it rotate? Are there any other features like lakes, mountains, volcanoes or craters etc.?

This planet homework is due in on Tuesday as we need it for our Literacy lesson that morning.

Reading Records and Tasks are due in on Thursday mornings. (Tasks should take 20mins. Pictures should be drawn with a pencil and coloured in.)

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday and are now well-rested.

It is good to be back in school and see all of the Year 5s again. The children have come back energised and excited about our new topic: Space!

We are really looking forward to all of the exciting things planned for this half term including our trip to Neasden Temple, lots of fun Topic work and House events.

Have a lovely weekend!

Love, Catherine, Laura and Sue x

First Day Back!

On Thursday 3rd January, the Year 5s listened to a distress call from an unknown male who appeared to have been taken hostage by another life form. The children were then informed of a strange crash landing in the school woods. We explored the site and concluded that the crash site must have been related to the other incident. We spent the rest of the day ordering events in chronological order and writing a police report. It was lots of fun!

Joke of the Week:

Q. What kind of songs to planets sing?

A. Neptunes!

Spellings

On Wednesday in our Super Spelling Session we learnt about using hyphens when the last letter in the prefix has the same letter as the start of the root word. For example, 're-evaluate'. The last letter of the prefix 're' is 'e' and the first letter of the root word 'evaluate' is 'e'. Because they are the same letter, a hyphen is required to go between the two: 're-evaluate'. Test will be on Wed.

This week

Topic - We enjoyed launching our topic this week and finding out all of the facts that the children already know about Space. We talked about how we can check that facts are accurate. We also came up with many questions that we are going to try to answer!

Literacy - This week we spent some time creating our own planets. We then thought about vocabulary choice to make some super descriptive sentences to describe our planets.

Maths - We have been learning about multiplication, particularly formal written methods for multiplication.