



# Healey Foundation Primary School

## Y5 - Curriculum Newsletter - Spring Term 2020

### **Happy New Year! Here are our topics for this term.**

#### **Literacy**

We will be studying a range of literature this term starting with 'Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone' by JK Rowling. We will then be studying 'Varjak Paw' a highly regarded book recommended for year 5 pupils. The children will receive a spelling list each Monday with a wordsearch to complete. They will be tested on the words the following Monday. The words often follow a spelling pattern which should assist with the learning of them. Pupils need to continue to read regularly at home and remember their record book each day. A few minutes each night will make all the difference to their overall reading development, not to mention the improvement to their writing. We will be focusing on handwriting this term as it is a requirement for pupils to be fluently joining their handwriting by the end of KS2.

#### **Numeracy**

We will be focusing on fractions, decimals and % during the Spring term. We will also consolidate the number and calculation work we studied during the Autumn term. Calculations will be practised as often as possible across all four operations.

**PE** PE will be on **Thursdays and Fridays** for the first few weeks of term. The children will need their PE kit on both these days. A white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers are essential. We are fortunate to have a specialist coach for rugby on Fridays this term.

#### **History**

We will be studying the changing role of women throughout History.

**Science** The children will be studying Earth and Space with Mrs Robinson.

#### **Music**

We will continue to study basic skills on the recorder.

#### **Other Information**

Every Monday the children receive a wordsearch based on the Y5 spelling expectations. This homework is due in by the Friday. The children will need to practise these words on a separate sheet to help them prepare for the test the following Monday.

Whilst we have reduced the amount of written homework there is still an expectation that the children will use Mathletics to consolidate our learning in Maths and, of course, the children should be reading regularly at home. They may read any books they have at home if they would rather.

Many thanks for your continued support!