

# Year 5 Newsletter

Welcome to the second year 5 newsletter. We have continued to be impressed with the fabulous learning taking place in year 5. We have had a very busy half term and we are pleased to have the opportunity to share some of the work we have completed within this newsletter.

The children have worked incredibly hard this half term and we really enjoyed speaking to you all about your child/ren's learning and achievements so far in our first consultation of the year.

We have explored the world with our learning this year. We have travelled through the Amazon Rainforest with our writing based upon The Explorer, discovered the South Pole with Scott and found out a lot about Canada with our geography learning. The children were particularly interested in finding out about the Great Lakes and how to preserve them from pollution.

We hope you all have a happy and healthy Christmas and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school in 2023.

Mrs Cumberbeach and the year 5 team.

## **Homework**

Homework is set on Monday and needs to be completed by the next Monday.

### **Spellings:**

Weekly spellings will be set and stuck into the children's HSO.

Children will be tested on the spellings the following Monday.

### **Reading:**

Read 5 times a week and record this in your Home School Organiser with a comment about the reading.

### **SPaG:**

Log on to SPAG.com and complete the task set. The task will be linked to the learning happening in class.

### **Maths:**

Log on to Times Table Rock Stars and complete the task set. Children will take home a maths workbook and will complete the page set by the teacher.

## **Class news**

Mrs Miller is going on maternity leave at the end of this term and will be replaced by Mr Ross. We look forward to welcoming him into the year 5 team in January. He has spent some time in school, finding out about Cedar class and getting ready to join us in the New Year.

We will miss Mrs Miller and wish her all the very best for her exciting new adventure. We will update you with news when we have it.

Rowan class will be joined by a student teacher, Mrs Ridpath, for the spring term. She is in her second year of teacher training and will be in the school until Easter.

## Communication

If you would like to contact your child's class teacher, please e-mail:

Rowan- Mrs Cumberbeach r.cumberbeach@horsell-junior.surrey.sch.uk

Cedar- Mr Ross p.ross@horsell-junior.surrey.sch.uk

Beech- Mrs Ghalami a.ghalami@horsell-junior.surrey.sch.uk

## Butser Farm



We will be visiting Butser Farm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February as part of our learning about the Anglo Saxons. Children should bring warm clothes that are suitable for muddy conditions and bring wellington boots/old trainers to change into.

We need some adult volunteers to come with us, please contact the office if you are able to join us on this fascinating trip back to the early middle ages.

## Skills Sessions

Please see the new skills sessions for the Spring term which will take place on **Thursdays**:

- Beech – Art
- Cedar – Forest School and Cookery
- Rowan – Swimming

**Please make sure you bring in the correct clothing for the skills sessions.**

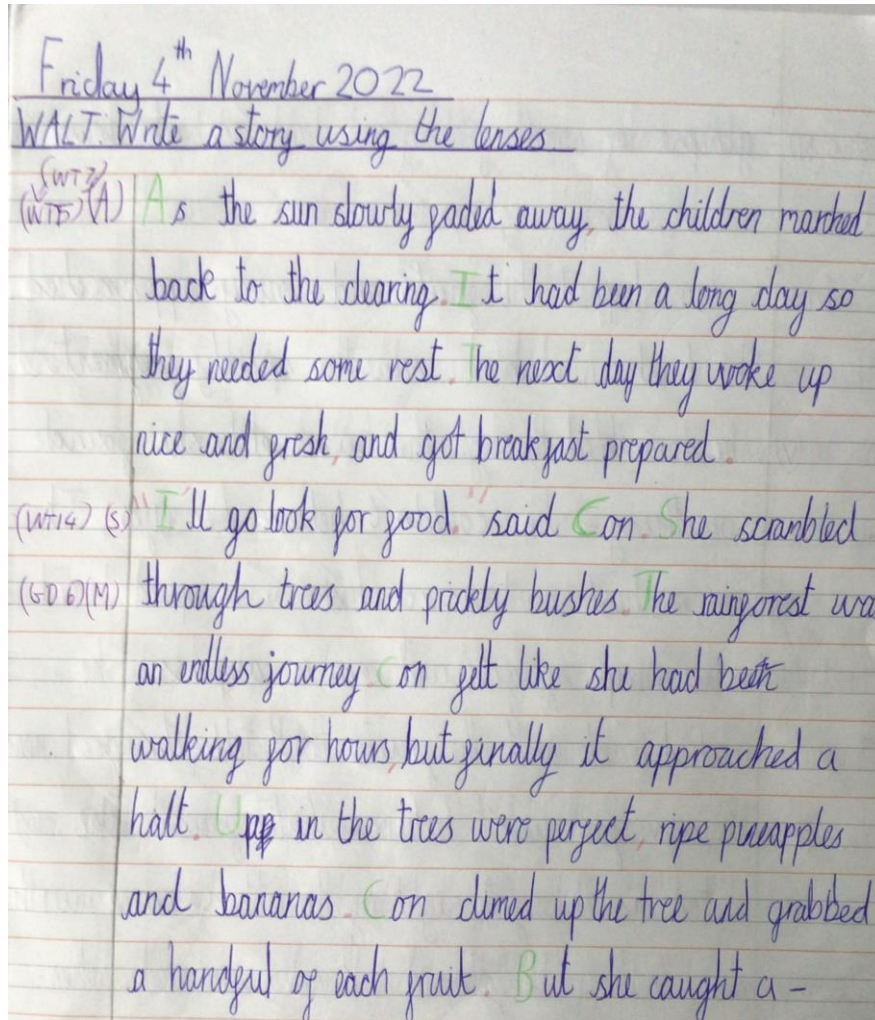
P.E. kit to be worn by **all classes on Mondays**.  
Rowan on alternate Wednesdays & Fridays. Beech and Cedar on Tuesday.

# Diary Dates

<b>January</b>	<b>Inset day:</b> Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January <b>Back to school:</b> Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January <b>Rowan Class Assembly:</b> Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> January <b>Story Telling Week:</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
<b>February</b>	<b>Mental Health Week:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Butser Farm visit:</b> Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Safer Internet Day:</b> 14 <sup>th</sup> February <b>Half Term:</b> 13 February to 17 February 2023 <b>Inset day:</b> Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>March</b>	<b>World Book Day:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023 <b>End of Term:</b> Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
<b>April</b>	<b>Easter Break:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2023 – 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2023

## WOW Work!

Every year group newsletter this year will include a piece of writing published from a child in our year group. It is a great way to showcase what we have been doing in school but also allow the children to see that their writing can have an audience. This piece of work is by Pari in Cedar class. Thank you for sharing your work, Pari!



A pencil sketch of the Canadian landscape by Ayan in Cedar.

