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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic start we have had to our Year 5 journey! The children have enjoyed launching both of our English writing units. For our Robin Hood writing, the children were inspired by a whole-year game of Sheriff vs. Robin Hood, where they had to work together to stop the Sheriff of Nottingham from catching our celebrated hero! The children blasted off their Pandora writing with an afternoon of astronaut training, which gave the children an insight into the skills used by astronauts.

During Term 2, we will continue to focus on Space and the planet Mars and our Science learning will give children the opportunity to experiment with, and investigate, a range of forces. To consolidate and extend learning, an educational visit to 'We the Curious' has been booked for Tuesday 5th November. If you have not returned your child's permission slip, please speak to a member of staff on the first day of Term 2 to ensure your child does not miss out on this fantastic opportunity.

Within English, Year 5 will be studying 'Mary Poppins,' producing a variety of writing based around this classic story, particularly focusing on imaginary settings. We will also spend some time looking at poetry and developing our performance skills. In Maths, children will begin the term focusing on multiplication and division. Having a quick recall of times tables and division facts is vitally important for children in Year 5 as these skills are required to achieve many aspects of Maths learning. If you would like support or ideas for your child practise these at home, please speak to any member of the Year 5 team. Towards the end of the term we will be building upon the children's knowledge and understanding of geometry and shape, focusing on deepening understanding and reasoning.

Homework expectations will continue to include: reading **at least three times per week**, learning spellings and a weekly English and Maths task. Homework books should be handed in on a **Thursday** so Home Learning can be checked and efforts celebrated. Homework books will be returned on Friday, along with the spelling list for the week to come. P.E this term will be on a Monday for both classes. Please make sure your child has their full school P.E kit, including sensible footwear, on this day.

Thank you for your continued support. We are particularly looking forward to seeing as many Parent/Carers as possible at the Year 5/6 Christmas Performance at the end of term.

Kind regards,

Miss Ireson and Mr Sturgeon and the Year 5 Team.

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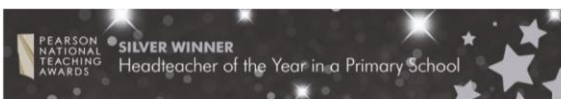
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