Y5 Classroom News

Avondale Primary School



Autumn 2

Welcome to Autumn 2. We hope you all had a lovely half term holiday and are ready for another busy half term. Thank you for your support at parents' evening – it was lovely to meet so many of you. This half term is full of activities and learning for the children to enjoy and it has lots of Christmas celebrations towards the end of term too.

Dates for your Diary

- 11th November – Remembrance Day
- 27th November – Christmas Craft Day
- Week beginning 23rd November – Assessment Week
- 3rd December – Christmas Pantomime: Robin Hood
- 4th December – Christmas Fair Donation Day (non-uniform)
- 5th December – Christmas Fair
- 14th December – Autumn Term Report to go home
- 14th December – Christmas Plays: EYFS (14:15) & Y1/2 (18:00)
- 15th December – Christmas Plays: Y4/5 (14:15) & EYFS (18:00)
- 16th December – Christmas Plays: Y1/2 (14:15) & Y4/5 (18:00)
- 17th December – Y3 Carols Around the Christmas Tree (14:15)
- 17th December – Christmas Jumper Day
- 18th December – School breaks up at 13:30
- 4th January – School reopens for Spring Term 1

Friendly Reminders

- ·For this half term P.E days for 5M will be a Wednesday and a Friday. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school. This will stay in school until half term.
- 5S will be going swimming on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child has their kit in school on this day.
- ·Please remember to sign your child's reading book when they have read. They can change their book as soon as they have completed it. Please read with your child 5 times a week minimum. Reading diaries will be checked every Friday.
- ·Homework and spellings will be put on Google Classroom on a Friday. HW needs to be completed by the following Thursday. The children will be tested on their spellings on a Friday.

What we are studying

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing Multiplication and division for the first part of the half term. Closer to Christmas, we will be tackling fractions. Any extra practise will be beneficial to their learning.
This half term, we have a focus on our 9 x tables in year five so again, any help and practise at home would be very much appreciated.

English

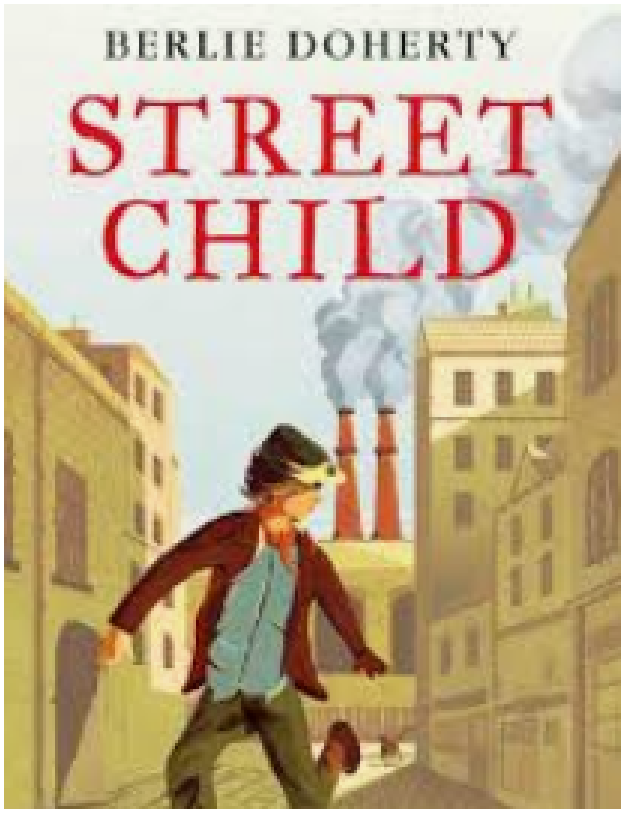
During our English this term, we will continue to develop the children's understanding of the Year 5/6 grammar objectives. We will recap on previously taught spelling rules and the year 5/6 statutory spelling words. Please ensure your child learns their spellings each week and go back over any rules that they may have found tricky.
For Talk for Writing this half term we will be writing biographies. Closer to Christmas we will be writing poetry. Our class novel is 'Street Child' – a story about a young boy who grows up in the workhouses of Victorian England.

History

This term, our theme is based around our History unit , which focusses on Victorian England. We will be learning about Queen Victoria's reign,

Key vocabulary–

Reign, Victorian, monarch, empire, coronation timeline, descendant historical event, class system, rich, poor, poverty, workhouse,



Science

Our Science unit this term is 'Forces' and the children will be learning about Isaac Newton, gravity, and resistance.

Key vocabulary–

· Friction, air resistance, water resistance, force-meter, Newtons, surface area, gravity, movement, between surfaces

DT

In DT the children will be creating a winter decoration by using their sewing skills. They will research popular decorations and design their own hanging decoration for their home.

Our PSHE theme is 'Celebrating Differences'