Llansannor & Llanharry Church in Wales Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs S. Prosser



13th September 2019

Dear families,

Welcome to Year 5 and the Autumn term. We hope you are all refreshed after the summer break having enjoyed some quality time together, and that you and your children are as thrilled for the upcoming school year as we are.

We have hit the ground running this year with our hugely engaging topic "Space" and already the children have created planet databases and experimented with 3D computer models in ICT, as well as delving into descriptive writing based on our guided reading novel 'Cosmic' and reinforcing place value understanding. Over the coming weeks, we'll revisit number skills, begin science enquiries, study creation theories in Christianity while also extending our learning on databases, working collaboratively through J2Data and writing newspaper articles around human exploration of space.

After the October half term, the children will step back in time and into the Victorian workhouse, learning about how our ancestors lived and worked in Wales and beyond at this time. It's going to be a busy term!

Mrs Rees will be teaching the class on Thursdays and I will be in class the rest of the week. PE sessions will be led by Mr Smith on Thursday afternoons. This term we will be developing our physical skills through ball skills. Please can the children bring in their P.E. kit consisting of a white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms with trainers to participate.

Homework will be shared weekly on Fridays in the yellow homework books; please can they be returned on a Wednesday.

Homework will consist of different spelling patterns which we will study this term and/or a maths activity. The pupils will also have access to Times Table Rockstars. Furthermore, there will be an optional homework grid with a range of activities related to our topic of Space and Victorians; this is also available on the website. Children will be able to choose which activities they would like to complete over the course of the whole autumn term.

I look forward to meeting you during the course of the year, but of course if you would like to discuss anything or in person, please call the school to arrange a suitable time. I also look forward to meeting with you on our 'Meet the Teacher' drop in session on Thursday 19th September 3:45-4:30 pm.

Best Wishes.

Mr Morris