Friday 9th September 2022

**Welcome to Year 5!**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had a lovely, enjoyable Summer holiday! We are excited for the coming year and know your child will enjoy great learning experiences in Year 5. Below, you will see an outline of our topics for this year as well as special trips/visitors. You will receive additional information including dates, times and costs for each trip closer to the event.

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| **Autumn Term 1** | **Autumn Term 2** | **Spring Term 3** | **Spring Term 4** | **Summer Terms 5** | **Summer Term 6** |
| **Space**  Children will learn about our solar system and space exploration.  **Special Events**  Space Planetarium -  The children will be transported into space in the mobile planetarium.  **Monday 17th October 2022** | **The Ancient Greeks**  The children will learn about Ancient Greek myths and the difference between Athenians and Spartans.  **Special Event**  Ancient Greece Day – dress up in an Ancient Greek inspired outfit and build the Parthenon  **Friday 4th November 2022**  Celebration Assembly  **Monday 5th December 2022** | **Poles Apart**  Children will learn about Sir Ernest Shackleton’s epic adventure.  **Special Event**  *Forest School Day – Topic Launch*  *(Outdoor clothes)*  **Friday 6th January 2023** | **The Great Fire of London**  Children will learn about The Great Fire of London and The Black Plague.  **Special Event**  Re-create the burning down of Pudding Lane in the school playground  Celebration Assembly  **Monday 27th March 2023** | **Our Living Planet**    Children will study climate change and compare animal life cycles.      **Special Events**  Ultimate Adventure 2 night Residential  **PROPOSED DATES**  **Wednesday 3rd - Friday 5th May 2023** | **Maya**  Children will explore the Maya culture and investigate the disappearance of the Maya civilisation.  **Special Event**  Art day – we will be making and decorating Maya masks  Celebration Assembly  **Monday 26th June 2023** |

In Year 5, PE will be taught on Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit and has a water bottle in school on these days.

At Carbeile, we expect children to read at least three times a week, recording each time in their reading record. Children will also be given a weekly spelling sheet of 10 key spelling words. Please help your child to practise and learn these words. In the back of your child’s reading record, you will find individual log in cards for Bug Club and Times Table Rock Stars. Please encourage your child to access these websites at home weekly, as they really develop skills taught in class.  
  
We have sent home a copy of the home learning tasks (you can also access this on the school website), which can be completed at home to further develop learning and curiosity about the Year 5 topics. Children will be rewarded for completing home learning and work will be celebrated and displayed.

We have a tendency to get a little messy in Year 5. If you have an old, oversized shirt or t-shirt, please send it into school so the children can protect their clothes when needed.

If you have any questions or expertise in any of our topic areas, which you would be willing to share, please do not hesitate to see your child’s class teacher. Thank you for your continued support.

Team Year 5