ENGLISH: In Year 5 we will have a strong focus on letter formation and handwriting. We will continue to read independently and during a daily whole class guided reading session. Our class book this term is 'The Legend of Podkin One-Ear' by Kieran Larwood. We will also be learning the poem The Highwayman and looking at it more deeply during Guided Reading. Spelling and grammar sessions will be timetabled weekly, with elements coming through our daily work.

ART & DESIGN TECHNOLOGY:

This term our focus will be on art and design. Using our sketch-books we will investigate the world of Typography. We will look at a range of artists and designers to gain an understanding and inspiration to enable us to create our own style of typography. This will culminate in the creation of a map using a variety of styles that will interest our audience.

FRENCH: This term focusses the speaking of French, aiming to develop the phonics element of the language as well as learning some key initial words and phrases.

PE: Will be on Thursday and Friday each week. The focus this term is on football skills and crosscountry. **RE:** This term our question is 'What does it mean if God is holy and loving?' During these sessions of discussion we will aim to explain the connections between biblical texts and Christian ideas of God, show how Christians put their beliefs into practice in worship and allow the children to develop insights of their own.



MATHS: This term will be spent working on place value, numbers to one million, rounding, comparing and ordering, Roman numerals, decimals up to 2dp, rounding decimals, ordering and comparing decimals. This will be followed by addition and subtraction of 4 digit numbers with one or more exchanges and decimals. In all areas we will look to interleaf money, perimeter and shape.

SCIENCE: This term we will looking at Forces. We will be learning more about friction, air resistance and gravity. Much of our work will centre around experiments and the processes that are used to be scientists.

HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY: The Iron Age

Following on from the teaching of the Stone Age and Bronze Age in previous years, the Iron Age completes the series of Ancient Britain. During this course of lessons we will find out how iron shaped the country and what changes to settlements and ways of life were brought about because of it. We will look at evidence of local Iron Age hillforts, the Celtic beliefs and how their tribes were led.

COMPUTING:

We will be learning about computing systems and networks sharing information, identifying and exploring how information is shared between digital systems.

MUSIC: This term, the children will be having music with Miss Moseley.

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Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

Welcome back to another new school year, I do hope this one runs more smoothly than the last two. Our topic for this term is focused all around the Iron Age and I have included an overview of this term's topic and the areas of learning that we will be covering between now and half term.

Here are a few reminders of expectations and the best method of communication: PE kit

This term, PE will be on Thursday and Friday, however please make sure your child has the correct PE kit in school at all times. In the interest of safety, it is compulsory for pupils with hair shoulder length or longer to have it tied back off the face with clips or a band, this includes boys. All jewellery and watches must be removed, including earrings; if earrings cannot be removed, please supply medical tape as they must be taped during PE. I want to have a big push on ensuring all children have the correct PE uniform in school and are responsible for all of their belongings and able to organise themselves. The kit consists of: Blue shorts/ skorts, blue t-shirt, long red socks, blue hoody and blue tracky bottoms and trainers. Please label all the kit so any misplaced items can be reallocated swiftly. Children's PE kits will need be taken home on Friday afternoon for washing and return back in school for Monday morning as usual. Class Dojo

We will be using Class Dojo as the main line of communication between the teaching staff and parents. Class updates will be posted as and when necessary to both celebrate pupils' work and keep you up to date with what we have been learning in the classroom. I do encourage you to look at the app on a daily basis so that you are kept informed and also have the opportunity to engage in your child's school day. Class Dojo 'points' will be given for positive learning and behaviour, which you will be able to track via the app. We will also be utilising the portfolios to view and submit homework. Please do let me know if you have any queries around Class Dojo and I will be more than happy to help. Should you wish to discuss any items of a more formal nature then please use my email address siobhan.stanfield@northluffenham.rutland.sch.uk

I will be in touch again soon to discuss how Parents' Evenings and formal consultations will look and be held in the near future. Keep your eye on the Class Dojo page for regular updates! I am really looking forward to working with the class this year and sharing their achievements with you.

Kind Regards,

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