



PLAINS FARM ACADEMY

YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

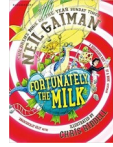
Autumn Term - 2018



LITERACY

During the Autumn term, we will be looking at narrative where we will develop our own stories based on 'Fortunately the Milk' by Neil Gaiman.

We will also be looking at writing our own non-chronological reports. We will continue with daily handwriting and guided reading sessions to develop our basic skills.



MATHS

This half term, we will be looking at factors and multiples. We will develop our multiplication and division skills, continue looking at fractions, including equivalent fractions, and complete learning on statistics. We will also develop our mathematical skills within science and topic lessons too.



Science

During Science lessons we will develop our knowledge of Earth and space, including a visit to the

Centre For Life in Newcastle where we will take part in a space camp adventure!

During topic lessons, we will continue developing our writing skills further by writing diary entries, reports and stories based on space adventure!



Computing

The children will learn to use software to create models of 3D objects, landscapes and items. They will also explore a range of increasingly complex simulations, exploring the effect of changing variables and recording the results.



RE

As Christmas fast approaches, the children will learn about themes of Christmas, demonstrating an understanding of significance of Christmas story, Christian symbols and practices today.



PE

We are lucky enough to have a sports coach this half term. The children will learn a range of Martial Arts skills on a Thursday afternoon.

We will continue swimming on a Tuesday afternoon.



Music

We will continue to develop our musical knowledge by looking at Jazz and famous Jazz musicians. We will, of course, be revisiting traditional Christmas songs and learning some new songs as part of our Christmas performance.

Art and Design

This half term, we will be looking at a range of artists who use paint to create their artwork. We will compare similar themes of art work by different artists and then recreate our own pieces in a similar style.

Reminders

- Ensure children complete and return their homework each week—homework given out on Friday and should be returned the following Wednesday.
- Encourage your child to read longer stories and novels, particularly books of their choice or related to class topics.
- Ensure your child has a full PE kit in school all week. Year 5 PE days are Tuesday (swimming) and Thursday (Martial Arts), but this can change so we advise that children leave a kit, in a named bag, on their peg all week.
- Please label all your child's clothes with their name—it always makes it easier to locate lost items of clothing at the end of a school day.
- Please keep us up to date with who will be collecting your child from school each day by updating your named adult list kept in school.
- Do come and speak to us at the end of a school day or by phone if you have any questions or concerns.
- Please ensure your child is in school on time everyday.

Mr Stewart and Mrs Douglas are always available at the beginning and end of every school day, please speak to us if we can help with any queries or concerns.