



10<sup>th</sup> January  
2020

# Ark Priory Primary Academy

## Year 5

### Spring Term



First of all, we would like to thank you all very much for your lovely presents for Christmas and wish you and your family a very happy New Year!

We would like to introduce Miss White to Year 5 who will be teaching Mozart – please come say hello. As new staff, it is our expectation that every child in Year 5 will excel in exploration, endeavour and develop the capacity, vision and courage to fly. Our aim is for every child to be confident, independent learners with a love for learning. Happy children are successful children!

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#### **Key reminders:**

#### **Thursday**

- Brentford Football

#### **Tuesday**

-P.E.

-Children's library books changed

#### **Friday**

-Spellings test

-Times tables test

#### **The Year 5 Team**

##### **Mozart**

**Miss White (Teacher)**

**Miss Mikayelyan (Teaching Assistant)**

##### **Mozart**

**Mr McCombe (Teacher)**

**Miss Mikayelyan (Teaching Assistant)**

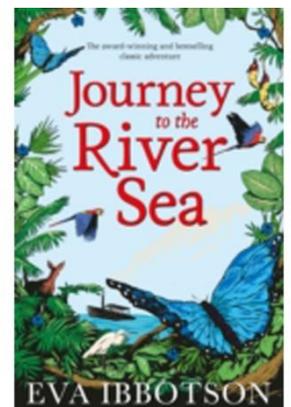
From next week on, children will be handed, on Fridays, a reading book that is appropriate for their reading level. This book is going to be brought back home. We kindly ask you if you could take the time to read with your child. We never say that enough but reading with them is key to their progress in terms of fluency, of course, but also in terms of comprehension. It would be highly beneficial if you could listen to them read and ask them questions about their books. If you need any support with that, please do not hesitate to contact us! On Thursdays, they will need to bring back to school their Home Reading Diary, signed by you.

#### **Curriculum:**



This term we are going to be exploring the topic 'Rainforest'. We will be discovering the locations and features of the rainforest, animals and tribes that live there and comparing this to urban environment. The children will have access to a range of exciting activities throughout the term including deducting information from sources and investigative tasks.

Our book this half term is Eva Ibbotson's '*Journey to the River Sea*'. Using this text for Reading and English will deepen the children's knowledge of life in the rainforest.



#### **How you can help at home?**

Educating a child is most successful when families and schools work together in the best interest of the child. We will always welcome your input and

assistance in educating your child. Below are some suggestions for you to do with your child.

- Visit museums and places of interest.
- Point out reading and Maths opportunities in your environment e.g. measuring ingredients for cooking, distance time and using money.
- Practice times tables up to 12 daily.
- Complete Mathletics tasks together and ask your child to explain their reasoning.
- Practice your child's spellings in preparation for the Friday test.

Children will have one snack break during morning break. The snack may be provided from home but please ensure it is fruit or vegetable – no NUTS, crisps chocolate or sugared items.

### Maths

#### Mathletics

- Multiplication and division of number up to 1000 by single and 2 digit  
Number and Fractions
- Decimals and Percentages

#### Topic Rainforests

[www.rainforests.mongabay.com](http://www.rainforests.mongabay.com)

[www.rainforest-alliance.org](http://www.rainforest-alliance.org)

[www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/rainforest](http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/rainforest)

#### Spelling

Please use your Mathletics account to access Readwriter for spellings