



Year 5/6

Autumn 2017 (1st half)

Welcome back!

The children have returned full of excitement after their summer break and are keen and enthusiastic to get started! Our first topic this year is:

Yesterday, today, tomorrow...

We will explore how lifestyles have changed since 1750 and the positive and negative aspects of the Industrial Revolution.

We will look at key inventions of the Victorian age that have impacted upon lives today and the role of the railways. We will also consider where the future of technology might lead us, too.

WEEKLY HOMEWORK

Homework will not be set on specific days but rather as follow-up to work completed in class to practice and extend their learning. However, weekly expectations are:

- 10 minutes each night reading their reading book, a newspaper, a magazine or Kindle,
- 10 minutes on spellings (3 times per week)
- 5 minutes each night on Learn Its - times tables up to 12 x 12 for multiplication and division.

and, when appropriate,

- research as part of our topic.

TRIPS AND VISITORS

We are hoping to organise a trip to Beamish open air museum where all of our class-learning will come to life as we explore the pit village, school and farm of the past. More details will follow.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Monday:

Tuesday: DT with Jools
Outdoor PE with Kevin Dawson

Wednesday: 3-minute challenge

Thursday:

Friday: Big Maths

Children should always have their reading records and homework books with them.

CLOTHING

Please could you make sure that any items of clothing brought into school are labelled with the child's name, so they can be returned to their owners as soon as possible.

CLASS DOJO

As the new year begins, most parents have already connected to this but, if not, logins have been sent home.