## Welcome to Year 5!

Welcome back to school, we hope you had a relaxing and restful half term

break.

PE continues to be every Wednesday.

Homework is due in on a Friday – Spellings and Times Tables. Key dates: 31.10.23 Term begins 1.11.23 All Saints Mass (9:30 St Mary's Church) 08.12.23 Christmas fair 15.12.23 Christmas dinner 20.12.23 End of term

This half term, we are starting our first History topic of the year. We will be learning all about the Maya Civilisation. We will learn about their architecture and their way of life and how it compares to ours now. We will also learn about the Ancient Maya Hierarchy and which parts of Maya Civilisation had an impact on our lives today.

In **Science**, our focus strand is Physics. We will be learning all about Forces. We will learn about friction, air resistance and water resistance. We will use our knowledge of levers and pulleys from DT in Year 4 to experiment with how mechanisms Can give us a mechanical advantage.

In Maths, we will continue with our focus on Addition and Subtraction to 1 million. We will then go on to explore Multiplication and Division and Fractions further, building on our learning from Year 4 and our new Year 5 knowledge. In RE, our topic is 'Life Choices'. We will learn about the qualities of a Child of God and how we can live these qualities out in our daily lives.





We will continue this half term to read

'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. This story is set in the Victorian period and follows one families plight as they try to survive the tough conditions they find themselves in.

Please encourage your child to read for at least 10 minutes every day. Spellings and homework are sent home every Monday. TT Rockstars log in's are inside reading diaries and homework books. Accessing this regularly will greatly help them in maths.