## **Year 5/6** Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 1, Sep 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please look through some activities we will cover this term as we open the doors to the new academic year with our new classroom name... Tigers! Tigers class will also be taught by Mrs Whitehead on a Thursday and Friday.



## **English:**

This term, the children will be considering folk tales, myths and legends from Wales. We will be ensuring that they are applying previously learned skills confidently in their work and revising any areas that we need to develop. Children will develop their understanding of a range of texts including discussion texts and writing fictional texts. They will be working hard on the technical aspects of writing and applying their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills across the curriculum.

## Maths:

We will begin by exploring place value using numbers up to 10,000,000. We will then be focussing on developing our understanding of the four operations in number, sharing our knowledge through reasoning and application in a range of contexts.

#### Science

We are learning about Evolution, Adaptation and Inheritance, finding out about the importance of the work of Charles Darwin and the impact that has had on current scientific thinking. We will learn about methods used to research a theory and complete practical investigations to find out how species adapt to their environments.

#### **Theme**

The focus of theme this term is Wales. Children will explore where Wales is in relation to the 4 UK countries and the wider world. We will also look at capital cities, the 7 continents (and oceans). They will consider the use of OS maps, grid references and compass directions alongside learning about the physical and human geography of Wales.

## PE & Games:

PE this term is on Tuesdays and will be centred on football skills and developing team games. Children should come into school in their PE kits.

#### RE:

Our big question is 'What does it mean if God is loving and Holy?' Discussion will be around what God is like and how he is omnipotent, omniscient and eternal. We will consider the different opinions about what God is like, understanding that Christians do not necessarily agree about what he is like, but try to follow his path as they see it in the bible.

## **Computing:**

This term, the children will focus on being safe in the online world and considering what makes us good digital citizens.

# English Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar:

The children continue to secure their application of spelling, punctuation and grammar rules. This is done through direct teaching and through application across the curriculum

**WOODLANDS:** This year, children will also take part in weekly woodlands lessons, which will be on Tuesdays. Please send in wellies and waterproofs for these activities, which should stay in school. Please **ensure all uniform is named**.

If you have any questions at all, please drop in and ask!

Kind regards, Mrs Solly