



Welcome to Ennis Hill's class newsletter for Autumn 1 I hope you have all had a lovely break over the summer and a well deserved break. We are looking forward to continuing on the exciting learning journey with you this year!

This half term, the children will have lots of exciting learning opportunities including baking and lots of Science experiments.

**Maths:**

In maths, we will be focusing on place value and addition and subtraction. Y4 children will be identifying numbers to 1000 and Y5 children will be identifying numbers to 10,000s. Ways you can help at home is to write down a number and ask the children to tell you its value or even point to one of the digits and ask them to tell you its value.

**English:**

This half term we will be focusing on the book 'Who Let the Gods Out' by Maz Evans linked to our Ancient Greeks topic. We will be working on newspaper articles and diary entries.

Ways you can help at home would be to share newspapers with your children or visit the local library and read other historical fiction texts.

**PE:**

Our PE lessons, this half term we will focus on our fitness lessons where our new sports coach Mr Saggerson will take the children through their paces. We will be working on their footwork and balancing skills. Please can we make sure the children have their PE kits for Wednesdays and Fridays. Y5 children will need their swimming kits for Wednesdays.

**DT:**

This half term, the children will be cooking biscuits, they will be working on adapting a recipe. More information regarding this will be given closer to the time.

**Art:**

This half term we will be exploring how artists use light to create form.

**Music:** We will be looking at the music of South Africa and composing our own pieces.

**Science:**

The children will be exploring all about the human body. We will be looking at our teeth and how they start the digestion process. We will be then completing our own experiment to see how the food travels through our digestive system. Ways you could help at home is ask your child to point out their different teeth when they are brushing them—can they tell the difference between an incisor and a

**History:**

This half term we will be finding out how the Ancient Greeks from different city states lived. The gods they worshipped and the stories they told. Their achievements and the influences we still see today.

**Geography:**

The children will be looking at spatial sense. They will be naming and locating counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying human and physical characteristics.

**Computing:**

In computing we will be looking at collaborative learning and how online software can enable collaborative working. If you use any similar software to work collaboratively it would be good for you to discuss it with your child.

**PSHE:**

In PSHE the children will be focusing on the importance of families and relationships. What it is to be a good friend and how we can maintain friendships.

**Class messages:** This half term, our class' quote is 'kindness, it costs nothing, but means everything'

**Important dates to remember:**

1. Thursday 7th September 3:30 Meet the teacher
2. Thursday 26th September -3rd October Book Fair
3. Friday 29th September Macmillan Coffee Morning.
4. Thursday 5th October SEND Workshop for parents.
5. Wednesday 11th October Autumn Crafts for parents and children.
6. Friday 13th October Curriculum Open Evening
7. Tuesday 17th October Individual and sibling photos