

Dear Parents / Carers:

Welcome back to Term 3! It's going to be a busy term and we have lots of exciting learning planned for the children.

Our P.E. days remain on a Monday and a Friday so please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on those days.

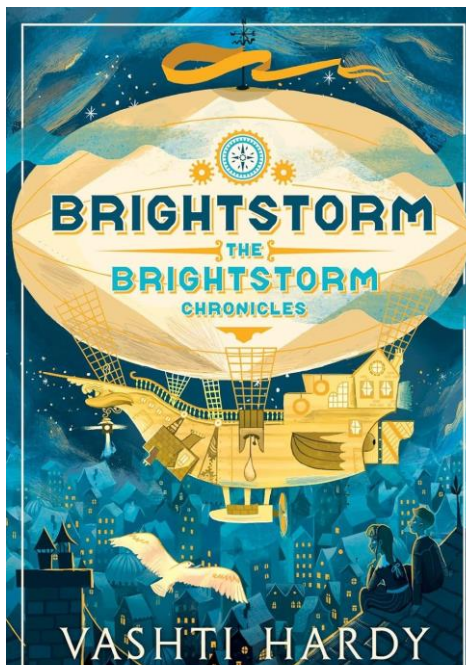
A gentle reminder that the children are expected to read at home for 20 minutes at least 5 times a week. As the children are now in Year 5, they can record their page numbers themselves but please can you sign it to indicate that they have read. Please ensure that your children bring in their reading book and reading record every day.

Spelling homework continues to be given out each Friday. The children can practise their spellings in a number of ways including accessing Spelling Shed to play games, which are linked to the spelling rule/pattern of that week.

### English

We will begin the term with a new text called Brightstorm by Vashti Hardy. This is a great story about adventure and exploration with plenty of twists and turns. Our writing focus will be to write a newspaper report.

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### Maths

The focus in maths this term is written multiplication and division methods for the first half of the term. It would be useful for children to practise their timetables to support their accuracy with these methods.

We will then return to fractions extending our knowledge by multiplying with fractions and calculating fractions of amounts.

### Art

Georgia O'Keefe is the focus artist of this unit. The children will learn about her life and her work which will then be used as inspiration to create their own artwork in her style.

### Geography

We will be learning about mountains and rivers this term. The children will develop their knowledge and understanding of map work and physical geography.

### PSHEC

In PSHEC the children will be exploring their dreams and goals.

### Computing

We will be learning all about stop motion animation in this computing unit. We will use stop motion software and techniques to create a short animation.

### French

Children will be exploring vocabulary linked to conversations and written responses to 'Do you have a pet?'

### PE

In hockey, the children will be looking to develop their attacking and defending skills and strategies, accuracy in passing and modified game play. In handball, the children will look at the different types of pass, shooting and dribbling and modified game play.

### RE

In RE, children will be exploring the concept of what Jesus would do and discussing whether people can live by his values in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### Music

Our Bold As lessons continue for those children who have signed up. In class, we will be learning about instrumental music linked to Indonesia.