

## Year 5

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. We have many exciting trips and events coming up! We are taking the focus for our term from our Geography topic on Central America and we will therefore be continuing with our exploration of the Maya culture. We will also be looking at salsa dancing in indoor PE and even our next English topic has a South American flair through the poetry of Grace Nichols.

Our Science topic – Earth, Sun and Moon – will have a fantastic finale with the planetarium visit in the middle of the month. Then we are planning a Carnival Day to wrap up our History topic on the Maya – more information to follow.

Please note the 8:00 am start for the Cinema Trip next week! This is to ensure we get to Cineworld, Feltham, on time. Thank you for your understanding with this.

We would be grateful if you would continue to read regularly with your child and write a comment in their diaries from time-to-time when you do so. Thank you.

Please be aware that mobile phones or smart watches are only allowed in school with children who walk home alone and have written to their teacher for permission. Such devices must not be left in bags or lockers.

Year 5 Team ☺

### Homework Reminder

**English:** Your child will be bringing home a grammar sheet on using parenthesis. They have chosen their own level of challenge. Please remind them to write their name on their sheet before they return it!

**Spelling:** This week the children should be learning plural rules (and we will test some of the Y4 homophones). Please also have a look at the Y3/Y4 word list in your child's school diary and check they are familiar with spelling these. **Your child may have been given an individual list of words to learn. If so, they should focus on these as a priority.**

Do not forget times tables and reading - daily!



### Date Reminder

November 8<sup>th</sup>

Y5/Y6 Cinema trip – leaving at 8:00 am

November 14<sup>th</sup>

Planetarium visit

November 15<sup>th</sup>

Carnival Day

### Announcements

Please return your French Trip reply slips as a matter of urgency.