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Teaching Team around your child	
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Deputy Head/Teacher Mr. Jamie Jardine Teacher	
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The purpose of the online homework is to help your child get in good routines ready for the expectations of secondary school and become more responsible and independent for their own learning. Regular reading, spelling and x table/maths fluency is essential so that your child feels confident to manage the demands of the year 5/6 curriculum.

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We ask that reading records are signed at the end of the week to acknowledge that reading and homework has been completed. These will be handed in and checked every Monday. Please encourage your child to select from a range of books. There are lots of great suggestions on the 50 reads, the recommended reads that were sent home before summer and also on the website. The name of the book and date started/completed needs to be recorded along with how many pages have been read. We also encourage pupils to write their own comments in year 5. However, it is important that they are still reading to an adult at home and the time they spend reading at home is monitored. A short reading comprehension will be sent home each week. These should take not more than 10 minutes to complete.

<u>Spelling</u>

This year we are moving away from weekly spelling lists and tests. Research suggests that most pupils do not benefit from weekly tests as they do not transfer their knowledge used in tests to their writing. At home, we would like you encourage your child to select activities from the Autumn spelling menu to help practise and memorise the statutory words, which can be found on the 'Spelling Spies' card. We suggest focusing on between 5 and 10 words each week. Over the term, your child may also bring home some target words to practise that they have identified through our daily lessons and their writing.

As always, we will regularly assess spellings to help identify areas of need along with giving children time to take ownership of their own spelling errors through proofreading or practising words from personal spelling logs.

General:

Over the year there will be lots of opportunities for your child to take part in different activities, clubs and competitions as well as opportunities to be leaders.

This year, there will be one 'Star of the Week' for each class. If your child has been chosen, you will be contacted to invite one person to come along to the celebration assembly which is held on a Friday at 8:50am.

If you have any questions over the term, please do not hesitate to contact me by either calling school or via the class email. Please note, we endeavour to respond to emails within 48 hours. Anything urgent, please call the office on 01244 268600.

Kindest regards,

Mrs. Vicki Williams

Main curriculur	n focus for the Autumn	term-CYCLE A
*Maths and English will	be taught in single age gro jects by either Mrs. Williar	oups. Your child will be
ENGLISH Reading: 50 recommended reads/books lists Class novel: Letters from the Lighthouse by		Maths: Power Maths Book A: Place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and
Emma Carroll Pathways to Write texts : Star of Fear, Star of Hoj		division. *Ensure all x tables
'Can We Save the Tiger by Martin Jenkins and Vicki White		are fluent Science: Electricity Light
Diary/narrative/recount		Scientific Enquiry
Autumn 1: History The Impact of War: Did WWI or WWII have the biggest impact on our locality? Autumn 2: Geography Changes in our Local Environment: How is our country changing?	Art: Typography and maps (drawing focus) DT: Cooking and Nutrition- seasonality	PE: Invasion games including tag rugby and hockey Gymnastics and Athletics Swimming
Computing: Coding: designing and writing programs Staying safe online	Music: Autumn 1: 'Livin on a Prayer' (Bon Jovi)- class rock Autumn 2: 'Classroom	RE: ISLAM Autumn 1: Why are the Five Pillars important to Muslims?
Personal, Social, Health Education: My Happy Minds SCARF: 'Me and My Relationships' and 'Valuing Differences'	Jazz' Strands of musical learning; 1. Listen and appraise 2. Musical activities 3. performance	Autumn 2: How is the Muslim faith expressed through daily life? MFL -Recap previous numbers; introduce the numbers 50 -100 -Shops in town and opening hours -Asking for and giving directions.

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