

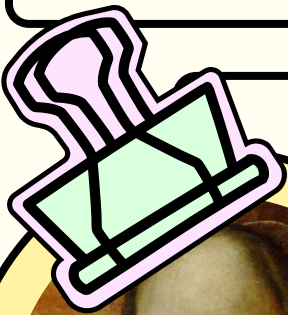
# Classroom News

## Spring 1 in Year 5...

We both hope you had a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!

This half term is incredibly short with just 5 weeks to fit in a lot of things. Just to inform you that Mrs Sisson's timetable has changed slightly to accommodate her time in Year 2 which will commence this week. She will continue to be in class Monday and Tuesday but will no longer be covering Mrs Griffith's PPA Wednesday mornings. This will be done by Miss Morton & Mr Devivo.

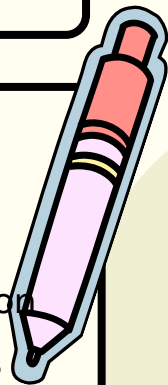
Please note that PE this half term will be on Monday and Thursday so please ensure they have their PE kits on these days. We are really keen that ALL our class are in the school approved PE kits. We have seen a number of children bringing in their own clothes. Thank you for your support on this.



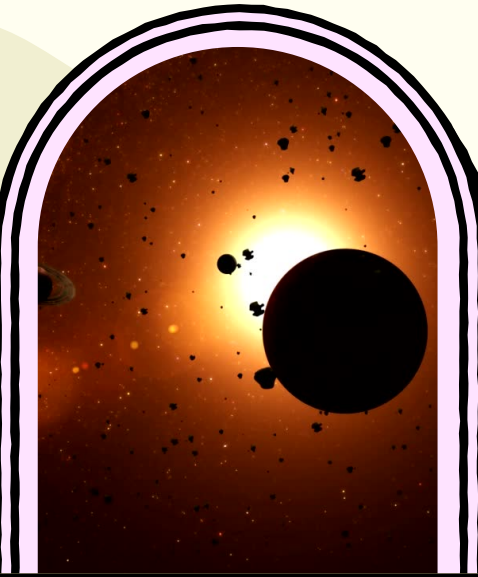
## English & Maths

Our English work this half term will be a report on the murder of King Duncan from Shakespeare's Macbeth. The children will also be writing the content for a website on Tudor life.

In maths, we will be looking at column multiplication and short division, multiplying fractions and finding fractions of an amount/quantity.



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## History

In history, we are going to be exploring what life was like during the Tudor times and a specific look at Henry VIII. We will focus in of the difference between the classes and what sort of monarch King Henry was.

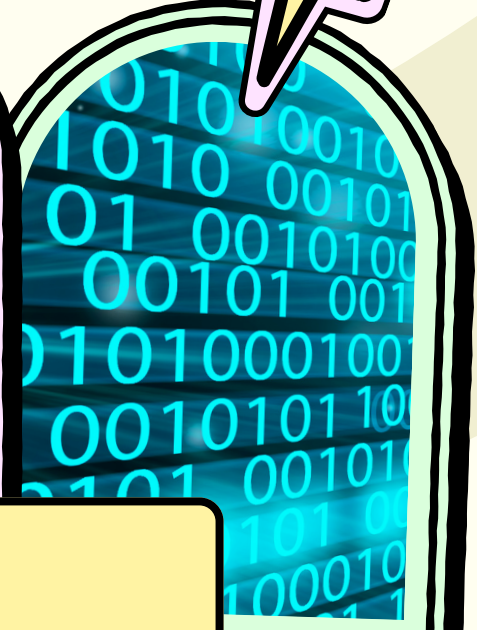
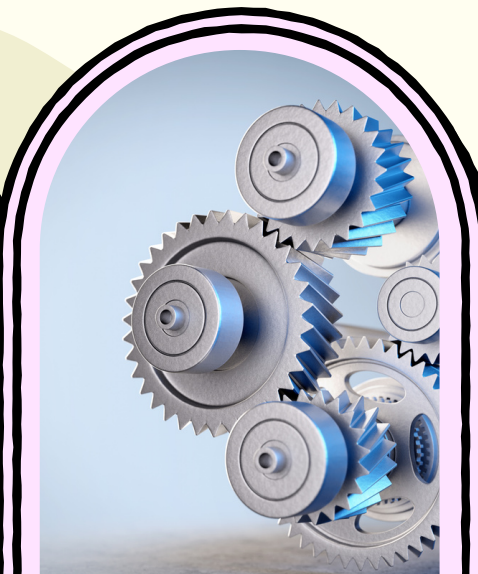
## SCIENCE

This half term we will be looking at space. An in depth study of all the planets is not part of this unit but rather a real focus on the Earth, sun and moon, how they move and how this movement causes day/night and seasons.



## RE

Our overarching question in RE is 'How are religious and spiritual thoughts and beliefs expressed in arts and architecture and in charity and generosity.'



## PE

Mr Devivo will be teaching both PE sessions this half term. He will be covering basket ball skills (outdoor where possible) and circuits.

## D&T

The class will be following on from their science last half term and bringing their understanding of mechanisms in to their D&T. They will be using CAMS to create moving parts to space themed toys.



## PSHE

Our theme for PSHE this half term is 'keeping safe' in which they will learn to demonstrate strategies to deal with both face-to-face and online bullying as well as the strategies and skills for supporting others who are bullied. Another aspect they will be looking at is vaping. Describe some of the health risks caused by vaping with the aim that they understand there are potential health risks of vaping that are not yet fully known. This is a precursor to their DAaRT work in year 6.

## Computing

In computing, the class will identify some of the types of data that the Mars Rover could collect (for example, photos); explain how the Mars Rover transmits the data back to Earth and the challenges involved in this. They will learn to read any number in binary, up to eight bits.