



Welcome to Class Nine and the Spring term!

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school after a lovely Christmas break.

We hope you are as excited as we are about Spring term! Our first topic will be 'Heroes and Villains'.



Our English topics this half term are **Superheroes** and looking at **persuasive speeches**. In our Superheroes topic, we are looking at heroes and villains, comic strips and eventually writing our own super hero story. When we study persuasive writing and speeches, each child will write a speech to persuade others to agree that their chosen hero is the 'best'!

Overview of subjects this term:

<b>English</b>	Superheroes- Fictional writing Persuasive speeches and writing
<b>Maths</b>	Place value – Roman numerals Multiplication & division Fractions Measurement Geometry – translation & angles
<b>Science</b>	Healthy heroes Heart Body Exercise
<b>Computing</b>	Programming- Scratch
<b>RE</b>	The Exodus and the festival of Passover
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Art Design</b> Portrait painters Design 7 Technology Healthy eating picnics <b>History</b> Tudors – was Henry VIII a hero or villain? <b>French</b> Healthy eating - Going to the market
<b>PE</b>	Dance Net and wall games
<b>Music</b>	Exploring rounds
<b>PSHE</b>	Health & Wellbeing Worship value - Responsibility

## Samlesbury Hall

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February, we are planning a trip to Samlesbury Hall, Blackburn, to support our learning about the Tudors. Please keep an eye out for more information next week.

## Parental Involvement

As part of our Science and DT work, we will be planning a trim trail as well as designing a healthy picnic. On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February, we will be inviting parents (or other adults) into school to take part in the trim trail and assist the children making their healthy picnic. There will be more information nearer the time – dig those trainers out!

Throughout the week, we are very lucky to be supported in Class Nine by **Mrs Brough** and **Mrs North**.

**Mrs Rees** will teach your children **French, Music and Design & Technology** on a **Thursday afternoon**.

Please can children bring in the following items every day:

- **Reading book and record**
- **Spelling book**
- **Water bottles**
- **Warm, waterproof coats**

P.E will be on **Monday** and **Tuesday afternoon**. Please can all children have their full P.E kit (including labelled t-shirt, shorts and pumps) in school all term? This kit will be sent home at half-term to be freshened up! If the weather is colder children can bring in a sweatshirt or jumper to wear when outside.

Each week children will have **homework** set for Maths and English (this could be topic related too) that will reinforce work that the children have already been taught. Homework will be given out on a **Thursday** to be returned the following **Tuesday**. It is very important homework is completed for further practice and returned back to school in their homework folders. In Year 5 it is expected that each piece of homework is completed to a high standard with children trying to work as independently as possible (with support when required). The children will be expected to read their reading book, with a short comment, at least 4 times a week.

Please ensure Spelling books are in on Friday so that new spelling lists can be written into books to learn.

## Music Festival

*Year 5 children will take part in this year's singing festival which is on Wednesday 20th March. We will be learning the songs in class after February half-term. It would be great to see as many Y5 children at the Ashton Hall as possible.*

**We are looking forward to a great and exciting Spring term in Class 9!**

Please feel free to pop in or catch me in the playground if you have any concerns or queries.

Best Wishes,

**Mr J Martin**