

# Year 5 Newsletter

## War Horse: A story of true friendship What is true friendship?

Dear Parents,

A warm welcome back to you all, I hope you have all had a restful summer break. I was delighted to see the Year 5 pupils entering the classroom with smiles and a focused attitude to start the year. I am certainly looking forward to the beginning of a creative and inspiring year ahead.

I look forward to getting to know you all over the coming weeks.

Miss Tingley

### Days to Remember

Educational visit	TBC
P.E.	Tuesdays and Fridays
Class Assembly	29.10.19



*Learning to love, loving to learn*

## Autumn 1 2019

Class Teacher: Miss Tingley

TA: Ms Kane

### Homework

Homework will be given out on Fridays to be returned the following Wednesday.

Week 1 homework – RE based

Weeks 2-8 - Maths and English.

Learning Challenge half termly project due back on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October.**

### Learning Challenge:

In this learning challenge we will investigate questions like:

Why did the author write the story of War Horse?

What was the setting and who were the main characters in the story?

Why did the author tell the story through the eyes of a horse?

How do art, photography, poetry and songs portray life during the First World War?

What does the story show us about the value of true friendship?

In English we will learn how to write a diary entry and/or a recount about the value of true friendship inspired by the Book War Horse.

In Art we will consider how various artists portrayed the events of WW1 and the techniques they used to express the mood of the time. We will also look at the drawings of Rae Smith which provided the back drop the Theatre Production of Warhorse. We will also learn to develop our skills of sketching and painting to recreate a sense of WW1.

### Values Education



**September: Love**

**October: Respect**

Please discuss these values with your child, identifying acts that represent them.

### Reading

📖 Please read with your child for at least 15 mins every night. Spend time talking about the story together.

📖 Book bags must be brought daily with reading books and reading records inside.

### Learning Challenge Event

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Come and look at your child's learning so far!

### How you can help at home

- 📖 Discuss with your child the things they have learned each day.
- 📖 Get them into a routine for doing homework. Provide them with a quiet area and regular time to complete homework. Check and sign their homework (Good preparation for Secondary School).
- 📖 Read with your child.
- 📖 Practise times tables.
- 📖 Talk about each month's value with your child.
- 📖 Read and discuss the "Wednesday Word" every week with your child.