#### **Foundation Subjects**

Art & Design/DT– In art, the children will become fashion designers where they will design their own items of clothing.

**History** – The children are learning about the Shang Dynasty which existed in China over 3000 years ago.

**Computing** – The children will be looking at video production. They will learn about different camera angles before creating their own videos.

**PSHE** – In PSHE, it is all about valuing others. They will look at qualities in friendship before learning about discrimination and injustice.

**PE** – In PE, the children in Year 5 will be developing their hand-eye coordination in their new topic. The whole year group will also be learning how to block and guard both spaces and opponents.

**French** – In French, the children will learn about Paris as well as phrases to give directions around a city. They will also learn to describe a city.

**Music** – In music, the children will continue to use the Charanga scheme. This half term, they will be looking at jazz music. They will listen and appraise The Three Note Bosa by Ian Gray and then learn improvisation techniques to add their own composition into this song.

**RE** – In RE, the children will be asked the question, 'How do Sikhs symbolise their commitment. This topic will also carry on next half term.

## Enrichment

Clubs are continuing across the school, including computing, choir and homework club.

They will also be taking part in a Christmas play, allowing them the opportunity to sing and act!

#### English

This half term, the children will be writing a first-person narrative, with a twist! It will include a flashback in the middle of it. We will be using a video titled Monkey Symphony to inspire this writing.

We will be using the same video later in the half term to help the children write a newspaper report. To do this, they will need to think and write like journalists, so they will have lots of practice writing in this style.

To end the half term, the children will be writing nonchronological reports on planets in the Solar System. This links to their learning in science.

# Autumn Term

'Be Brave, Be Bold, Be

Bríllíant!'

Year 5 and 6



## Science

The topic in science is Earth, Space and Beyond. The children will look at what is in our solar system as well as learning how Earth moves on its axis and around the Sun. They will also gain an understanding of why the Moon appears to change shape and size, when it actual fact, it doesn't!

#### Maths

Children will be continuing with fractions this half term. They will be learning how to order and compare fractions with different denominators. They will then use this skill to help them add and subtract fractions with different denominators. Continuing on from this, the children will then learn how to add and subtract mixed numbers – a vital arithmetic skill that takes a lot of practice.

They will then move on to look at formal written methods for multiplication and division – including long multiplication and long division.

Each week, they will also complete an arithmetic lesson to help them with their fluency, developing and understanding of when to use mental and written strategies.

# The Notice Board

PE days are as follows: Year 5 (all classes) have PE on Thursday still. The second PE day (for all Year 5 and Year 6 pupils) is different for each class. Class 6: Tuesday Class 7: Wednesday Class 8: Monday Swimming day for Y6 is Thursday. Please ensure children come to school in PE kit on their PE days.

#### Dates for your Diary

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November Usborne Book Fair in the school hall Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November INSET school closed to pupils Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Fayre in school hall Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December Y5/6 movie night Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December Year 5/6 Christmas Play