

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Autumn Term 2 and as ever, a very busy term is planned for Year 5. This newsletter aims to give you an overview of the intended learning for this half term.

If you should have any **brief queries** please do mention them at the classroom door, otherwise for anything else please send an email to [info@brindisheschools.org](mailto:info@brindisheschools.org) and I will contact you at the earliest opportunity.

Best wishes.

Ms. S.Haughton

The children will be reading a number of quality texts in **English** e.g. *Mythologica* and *Malala- My story of standing up for girls rights*. They will continue to develop their speaking & listening with an emphasis on drama, comprehension, research and writing skills. The children will continue to develop their biographical writing as well as writing instructions and non-chronological reports. Reading, spelling rules, grammar, punctuation and handwriting will be taught weekly. Your child will bring home a small green Spelling book. Please ensure this book comes to school **DAILY** but that you also practice the spellings regularly at home. Every child has a reading book of their choice and will also have access to Bug Club for additional online reading.

**Maths (Mental and written) - Number:** Multiplication and Division will include factors, multiples, prime and square numbers as well as written methods and problem solving. Fractions will include equivalent, improper fractions and mixed numbers. An Arithmetic focus will continue throughout the year (times tables, multiplication and division facts, mental and written calculation methods).

**Art** - will be covered through cross-curricular themes e.g. volcanoes.

**Music** - A unit featuring Jazz music will include listening, appraising, performing and singing. The children will also play the glockenspiel. You will also be invited to a festive performance.

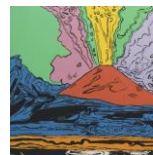
**Religious Education (RE)** - This term our learning will focus on the Islamic festivals of Hadji and Id ul Adha. To finish there will be cross-curricular learning about the Christian Festival of Christmas.

**Science** - The children will complete Life Cycles and investigate Properties and Changes in materials.

**PSHME** - The theme of Relationship Education will continue to focus on friendships. The class will develop their understanding and application of the Zones of Regulations and participate in weekly Golden Time activities of their choice.

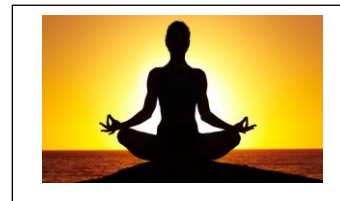
**Geography** - Our theme is Volcanoes and specifically the physical and human features of Heimaey in the Western Islands of Iceland. In **MFL** Spanish our themes will be Ice-creams and At The Market with a focus on speaking, listening and composing simple dialogues. Our volunteer, Miss Kate will continue to support with a range of language activities.

**ICT** - A unit based on Creating Media and Video Editing will be taught. All children will continue to touch type at regular intervals.



**Outdoor PE (Thursday)** - Basketball, Daily Mile & Hula Hooping

**Indoor PE (Tuesday)** - Yoga  
Please send your child to school on these days wearing an outfit appropriate for PE. This could include leggings, shorts or tracksuit bottoms, a t-shirt, sweatshirt or hoodie. Footwear must be either trainers or plimsolls. Jewellery must not be worn and long hair should always be tied back. Sunscreen should be applied as appropriate.



### Home Learning

A green Reading Response activity will be given midweek to be submitted the following week. The log-ins for Sumdog Mathematics and Bug Club are located on the inside back cover of the same book.

#### Visits

Prince Philip Centre for Maps, Globes & Charts workshop- November.

Pantomime at Catford Broadway Theatre - December

