



# Juniper (Year 5) Newsletter

## Autumn Term 2021

Welcome back! We hope you have had a wonderful summer holiday. We look forward to welcoming you back after such a long time away from school. We have some fantastic learning opportunities this term that we look forward to sharing with you!

### Topic

Our **Topic** this term is all about Extreme Earth and navigation. We will learn about how there are different climate zones across the planet, and how extreme weather is caused, as well as how it can affect communities. We will also explore natural disasters, such as tsunamis, earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. With our **geography**, we will also learn how to use lines of latitude and longitude to develop our map skills. In **history**, we will learn about famous navigators. In addition to this, we will also learn about our local history, including the boating heritage of our region and the history of the school. There will be lots of exciting art and DT opportunities that will link to our topic.



Our **Hook Day** for the topic will be on Thursday 16th September. This is linked to Extreme weather and the class may dress up if they wish to do so. Ideas of costumes will be popped on the class blog.

### Class Book

The children will be using the books *Shackleton's Journey* and *Sky Song* to stimulate their imagination and reading skills and inspire writing for a variety of purposes.



### PE

#### **Mondays**

PLEASE ensure that your child remembers to bring their FULL PE kit. PE kit can be left in school all week.

### Water

Could you also ensure your child has a water bottle in school, as keeping hydrated is important and does impact positively on pupils' learning. Thank you.

### Home Learning

Home Learning is back in books this term and home reading is recorded using GoRead app. Spellings will be on Spelling shed. Times tables to be practised using TT rockstars. Children are expected to complete a reading, spelling and maths challenge each week and six pieces of home learning per term. Please see the class blog for further details.

**Mrs Hill and Mrs Smith**