

Mulberry Class

10th January 2019

Dear Parents,



Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had a lovely break, we are delighted to have the children back to school, ready for a new term of learning. Our topic for this term is called 'Home and Away'. We will be looking at current topics and historical ones that connect our country with the rest of the world.

In English and Geography we will be getting to grips with 'Brexit' and year 5 will be writing a balanced argument based on the 2016 referendum and the issues leading up to Brexit. We will also be moving on to looking at the Tudors and trade. In Science, we will be looking at the heart as an organ, and how it works with an exciting investigation surrounding it. In P.E. our topics are netball on a Thursday and gymnastics on a Friday. Please can you make sure your child has a named P.E. kit in school for our P.E. lessons.

To start our English off and before we dive in to all things Brexit we are looking at 'Sea' poetry and have begun this week to look at a poem by Thomas Hardy, 'Convergence of the Twain'. Although this poem has some quite tricky vocabulary, the children are embracing the challenge and are coming up with some really good ideas about the poem. We will then move on to look at further 'Sea' poetry over the next couple of weeks.

In Maths, we are currently revisiting multiplication and division. The children are looking at different ways to multiply two and three digit numbers together.

As part of our computing lessons we are finishing off our lessons with 'excel' and will then be moving onto doing a bit of coding. We

continue to have class discussions about how to keep ourselves safe online so please do keep talking to your child about what they know about keeping safe online.

The homework contributions for the autumn term were really impressive. Our new homework grid for this term is now on the website along with a topic grid. In addition to your child choosing a project if they wish it is really important that they are learning their spellings and times tables.

Kind Regards

Mrs Winter and Miss Durkin