



All Saints'

family, faith, flourish

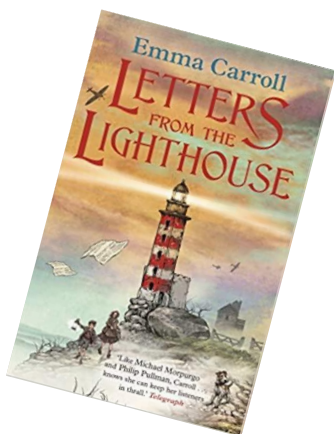
"God gave you that gift... Now let it flourish, as a small flame grows into a fire" (2 Timothy 1:6 - ICB)

Year 5 Spring Term 2

This term, our whole school area of reflection is 'Justice'.

# NEWSLETTER

## Our class texts...



## Key Learning this term...

**Literacy:** This half term we will be expanding our writing styles to include a narrative, radio scripts and persuasive letters. Our poem this term is the powerful 'Woman Work' by Maya Angelou.

**Maths:** we continue to work on multiplication, division and fractions. Please encourage children to practice their times-tables regularly to help with these areas of Maths. **As you also know, part of the children's homework is on the Mathswizz program. It has been shown to help boost children's progress in Maths so please help your children to 'play' online for at least 30 minutes a week.**

**Science:** This term we study Space, and also have science week. We'll look at the phases of the moon and keep an eye on the planets aligning!

**History:** Following the Tudors comes the Stuarts and we will be piecing together the facts about: James I; The Great Fire of London; The gunpowder plot; Samuel Pepys and Oliver Cromwell.

**RE:** Our Christian question is 'What did Jesus do to save human beings?' as we consider the ultimate sacrifice made in the lead up to Easter. We will be debating who was truly to blame for Jesus' death.

**D&T:** we're designing and making a toy that parents are invited to come in and help with, and we also have a design Easter project to make as a class.

**PSHE:** We explore and identify a range of emotions, broaden vocabulary to help children explain and also manage conflicting feelings.

**Music:** We will study the music from the 80's decade and spend time learning notation and composition.

**Geography:** bringing together our knowledge of mountains and rivers in written project about the French Alps and tourism.

## Dates for the diary...

Keep a look out on Parent mail for details about the following:

- World Book Day: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March
- Red Nose Day: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March.
- Science Week –
- This is our last half term of swimming for the year before we hand the baton over to the Year 6s. Please remember to send swimming kit every Tuesday. Hopefully the last week of swimming will be a fun session that parents can come and watch. This is TBC so watch out for more news.

## Reminders...

**Spelling test:** We will continue to give out weekly spelling lists on Monday and will test on Friday.

**Homework:** It is so nice to see all of the signatures on the homework sheets – seeing that so many children get the essential reading time with you every week is fantastic. Well done to the parents!

This year we're trying to maintain our Timestables speeds which can drop easily, so please ensure that your child is spending 5 mins a day on TTRS or playing TT battles with you in the car.

## Recommended Read!

Our class reader this term is by the wonderful children's author: Emma Carroll. The children in Y5 are already loving 'Letters from a Lighthouse' this term. If you are struggling for novels to read at home with your child, please try some of Emma Carroll's other books:

- Secrets Of A Sun King
- Frost Hollow Hall
- Somerset Tsunami
- The Week At World's End
- In Darkling Wood
- When We Were Warriors
- The Snow Sister
- The Girl who walked on air.

We're launching a **MOST WANTED** list of



books in each class and are hoping friends and family could sponsor a book, leaving an encouraging message inside. On World Book Day, we will compile our list based on the children's most loved authors and new ideas.