

***Expecto Patronum!***

How on Earth has the year nearly gone already? It seems only yesterday that everyone walked into year five, fresh from their time in year four, ready and eager to learn new things. Thankfully, that is still the case and we really have a great half term lined up.

With the fabulous news that Harry Potter would be on the horizon for the Summer 2 term I eagerly set about undertaking some research during the May half term holiday. Visits to the books I had when I was a child were on the agenda during the break to scan for my favourite parts along with combing through the films to find suitable parts to view as a class. Nothing quite beats Harry Potter as a source of inspiration and enjoyment.

As we return after the May half term break, we've got lots of brilliant things planned – read on to find out more about our final spate of Year 5 learning...



**What are we learning?**

*Harry Potter*

Our theme for this half term focuses on the topic of Harry Potter. We'll be learning about the magical world that he inhabits along with a sprinkle of all things magical. It's going to be great!



**Highlights from last half term**

*A brain the size of a planet...*

During the last half term, the children worked brilliantly to create their very own **working** parachutes and spaceships. They used their knowledge of air resistance, materials and their properties, gravity and so much more to create their very own working parachutes. Did their astronauts survive re-entry? That's a different matter...



**Home Learning**

**Handed out Friday – Returned Friday**

*Reading*

A huge well-done to all those children who have been keeping up with their reading at home; we've really enjoyed talking about books during the summer term and this is set to continue as we examine lots of different text types this half term, ranging from 'Harry Potter' to 'Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them'.

*Homework Tasks*

Homework will keep to the same theme as previous half terms. As ever, I want to thank you for supporting your children's learning – it continues to be a real treat for me to see how much effort your children put into their work and we celebrate this every Friday in class.

**Summer 2 Learning**

To find out more about what we are learning this half term, please see the reverse of this letter.



If you do have any questions or concerns that I can help with, please catch me on the playground and I'll do my best to answer them then and there.

