## English

We will continue our daily Reading Skills lessons practising our literal, deductive and inferential questioning skills. It would be wonderful if children continue tom read at home to build speed, fluency and understanding.

Handwriting, grammar and spelling will be taught discreetly. We will be writing non -chronological reports and explanations, linking to our Science Space topic. We will further develop our writing skills as we embed our knowledge of the events of Holy Week, through producing an eyewitness account.

We will continue to enjoy our class novel 'The explorer' by K Rundell

## Maths

We will focus on decimals and will read, write, order and compare numbers up to three decimal places and learn to round them. We will then focus on percentages, as fractions and decimals. Next, we will explore perimeter and area. We will then explore line graphs and tables. There will be an ongoing focus on the four operations of number, times table and mental arithmetic skills.

**Religion** We will focus on the season of Lent and the events of Holy Week, leading up to the celebration of Easter. We will reflect on what strengthens our friendship with God and with others and what damages it. We will explore the Sacrament of Reconciliation and reflect on how this sacrament helps us.

Our Waxworks Museum will form part of our fundraising for Lenten charities (more details to follow next week). **Geography** We will be studying North America. The children will find out about the continent and the countries that form it. They will then look in more detail at some of the contrasting areas of North America, finding out about the landscape, climate and locations in each area. At the end of the unit, children will research a trip to an area of North America and create tour guides to share what they have found.

**Music**. 'The Blues' -The Children will be introduced to this famous genre of music and its history, and learn to identify the key features and mood of Blues music and its importance and purpose.

**Spring 2** Year 5 Mrs Sweeney.

## Science

We will learn about the shape and relative sizes of the Earth, Sun and Moon. We will understand why our shadows change and why we have night and day. We will learn about the Earth's orbit around the Sun and use data to draw conclusions about the Sun at different times of the year. We will investigate the Moon's phases and the orbit of the Earth. We will research our Solar System and man's journey into space; **PE** - The focus will be on gymnastics, every Tuesday.

On Friday the children will participate in the Man Utd school programme. The focus will be on netball skills.

**Computing** This half term, we will explore data handling. starting with an exploration of the Mars Explorer. We will focus on how and why data is sent from Space.

**French** We will continue to enjoy French lessons with our Foreign Language teacher, each Thursday We will continue to work on building confidence in speaking French, as we learning new vocabulary.

**PSHE** We will be looking at how information online is targeted; different media types, their role and impact

**DT** In this topic the children into aspiring designers as they research, analyse, design, make and evaluate a cushion cover. They will learn to sew and master techniques for joining and decorating fabric.