Portway Junior School
Welcome to Year 5 - Our learning for Spring 1

English
Writing
Our first learning journey will use a short film called 'The Dragon Slayer' to inspire our writing and build on skills developed in the Autumn term. Our second Learning Journey will be 'Norse Myths' as our text driver' for writing.

Reading
Children will continue to learn and practice skills using VIPERS - vocabulary, infer, predict, explain, retrieve, summarise. As well as this, they will practice answering more complex questions. We will be using text extracts from 'A Complete Guide to Dragons'.

Expectations
Read 4 times a week to an adult and practice times tables 4 times a week.
Diaries must be signed each week by an adult at home.

A menu of other homework & spelling rules each week is available on Google Classroom.

Foundation Subjects
Science - Circulation
PSHE - Dreams and Goals
PE - Orienteering and Tag Rugby
French - En Famille
History - Raiders and Traders
Computing - Programming Toy Giveaway
RE - Ritual - Judaism
Music - Life Cycles (Structure)
DT - Complete Mechanical Systems
Art - Maria Sybilla Merian Study

PE days - Thursday and Friday - both sessions will be outside so be prepared with a warm jumper. Bring spare shoes as the field will get muddy!

FOREST SCHOOL:
Forest School - Wednesday morning (so a change of footwear and clothes will be essential in wet weather)
Finch - 10/1, 31/1
Otter - 17/1, 7/2
Raven - 24/1
(NB: Raven Class will have first session after half term)

Key Dates
2.1.24   INSET Day

3.1.24   Term Starts

1.2.24   Yr6 residential
             meeting

 12.2.23-16.2.23 Half Term

19.2.23 First day back

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Maths
Times tables - children should be confident with their times tables as well as the related division facts.

Arithmetic lessons will continue to be once a week.

What we are learning this half term:
-    Multiplication and Division (multiplying and dividing up to 4 digit numbers, then solving problems)
-    Fractions (multiplying fractions and finding fractions of amounts)