# YEARS 5 AND 6 SPRING TERM CYCLE 2 CURRICULUM STATEMENT



### ENGLISH

We shall be studying the National Curriculum in speaking and listening, reading and writing. The children have individual targets in order to progress. You will receive a written copy and review of these in your child's termly report. Within the reading strand, our focus will be on non-fiction, paying particular attention to text conventions and structure as well as inference and deduction skills. We will be using the Chatta lesson approach to develop oracy and high level vocabulary as well as to improve children's written skills.

In writing, we shall focus on story writing techniques. The children will continue to work on the development of a fluent, cursive style of handwriting. Further skills will be developed in speaking and listening through poetry recitation and dictation. A useful website for practising skills is BBC Bitesize. It would also be helpful for the children to read and listen to short stories. Examples of these can be found on various websites including Radio 2-500 words.

#### MATHS

We shall be studying the National Curriculum. Arithmetic will be given a high priority along with the application of this. The children will all be taught to mastery level in order to progress. We shall be looking in particular at fractions, decimals and percentages as well as the four operations. The children will also continue to work on their multiplication tables, using an online resource both at home and at school. Pupils can access TTRockstars at home. A useful website for practising skills is BBC Bitesize.

# SCIENCE

We shall be studying the National Curriculum. The main topic will be Earth and Space. The children have individual targets in order to progress. You will receive a written copy and review of these in your child's termly report. Our school Meadow will be used for research as much as the season allows.

In Computing, we shall be focusing on using hardware and E-safety. A useful website for understanding scientific concepts is BBC Bitesize. The school website is available for appropriate e-safety advice.

## THE ARTS

In Art we shall be developing our painting skills to create scenes of the great outdoors. In DT we shall be studying food and nutrition as part of our Master Chef competition.

In Music, we shall be looking at composition, appraisal and notation as well as working towards our Songs From The Shows Concert.

# THE HUMANITIES

We shall be studying the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for England. We shall complete some appropriate mapping work. There are many websites which will help with this topic – use Google or another search engine.

#### PE

We shall be working on gymnastics, including balance and counter-balance. We shall play competitive striking and fielding team games. There are many fitness videos online, for example, Joe Wicks has produced appropriate ones for children.

#### **RE/ PHSE**

In RE we shall be studying Living A Faith, considering what gives people a sense of identity and belonging. In PSHE we shall be reflecting on Dreams and Goals.

#### **TERMLY COMPETITIONS**

This term is our annual Swinemoor's Got Talent and Master Chef competitions. We shall also be writing stories for our story writing competition, sponsored by the Rotary Club. Each week, we will continue with our mathematics time question competition. Alongside this is our DoJo reward system. Points are awarded for excellence and effort in any area of school life; prizes are given for each multiple of 150 points.