



## Y5 Autumn Term

# To Thorpe Hesley... and Beyond!

### Our Topic

During the Autumn term, our first topic will be a whole-school creativity focus on 'Let's Go Wild'. This will then be followed by our Year 5 topic of 'To Thorpe Hesley... and Beyond!' which will focus on learning about our local area, as well as Space. We have lots of fun and exciting lessons planned throughout this topic.

We will be reading 'Orion Lost' as our novel in our English lessons which is an action-packed science fiction adventure story. We will also be exploring the non-fiction text Hidden Figures.

### Homework

In Year 5, we have high expectations with homework and expect it to be handed in on time and to a high standard. Children in Y5 will be expected to:

- Regularly read at home at least three times a week. Teachers will regularly check reading records and always value an adult's comment in there.
- Learn their weekly spellings to be given out on a Friday to be completed for the following Friday.
- Complete a weekly homework activity, linked to something we have recently covered in class. This will be handed out/collected in on a Friday.
- Keep an eye out for the reading scrap books – your child might be lucky enough to bring it home.

### PE

We ask that children have their full P.E kit in school **at all times** and only take them home at weekends and holidays.

Thank you for your continued support,  
**The Year 5 Team**



Below is an overview of what we will be learning this term.

<b>Science</b>	In Science we will be focusing on space and forces. Starting with learning about the different planets, the moon and sun. We will also learn about friction, air and water resistance, as well as levers, gears and pulleys.
<b>History</b>	Children will look at the history of the local area and how and why this has changed throughout time.
<b>Geography</b>	In Geography we will be looking at the local area around Thorpe Hesley and beyond.
<b>Art</b>	In Art we will be focusing on Joe Scarborough's images and using these as inspiration to create our own piece of artwork linked to Rotherham.
<b>ICT</b>	In ICT, we will be learning about online safety. The children will also be learning how to take and upload photographs to a computer.
<b>RE</b>	We will be predominately looking at values within the Christianity religion, with some comparisons to other religions.
<b>PE</b>	In PE we will be focussing on dance and tennis for the first half term and hockey for the second half term.
<b>PSHE</b>	This term's PSHE focus on friendships and what they mean to us whilst equally considering how to have positive friendships.
<b>Music</b>	We will be using the Charanga music scheme to learn all about pitch, tempo, rhythm, volume and timbre.
<b>DT</b>	In DT during the term we will be focusing on researching, designing, making and evaluating our own moon buggies.
<b>Spanish</b>	We will be continuing to learn Spanish during this half term, where the children will have opportunities to speak, read and write.