

Date: 10/09/21 Year Group: 5

#### English

This week we have been writing our own poem inspired by The Comet by Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr.

They have worked so hard, learning the new complex vocabulary and researching information on comets to inform the context of their poems.

On Friday all the children worked so hard to write the poems, using lots of complex vocabulary. We really enjoyed listening to each other perform their poetry,

## Take One Picture Project

This week the children have been taking part in the Take One Picture Art project set by The National Gallery. We have been designing and making our own Lunar Rovers and drawing pictures of astronauts/ the lunar rover in Space.

## How you can help at home:

- Today (Friday 10<sup>th</sup>) we have sent home with every child, a Working in Harmony booklet. This booklet is for the children, teachers and yourselves as parents to complete over the half term. Any child who has successfully completed the booklet will receive a brand new badge, to wear with pride!
- At present we have paused 'Racing to Read'. However, the expectation that children read to an adult at least 3x a week is still in place. We want to continue to instil a love of reading within the children. Please do take the time to listen to your child read as much as possible, they really do love it (many time we have children bustling in to say how much they loved reading to an adult the night before).

We appreciate this may be difficult to achieve every day, as many times as you can will be much appreciated.

• Well done to all parent who have managed to purchase and supply your child with a green tshirt as part of the new PE uniform- thank you. If you have yet to do so, please make this a priority and have a look on Amazon, you can buy one for around £2. To confirm, the PE tops must be plain

#### Maths

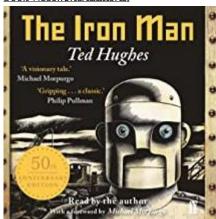
The children have been expanding their knowledge of Place Value this week by comparing, ordering and solving word problems. Focused around numbers greater than and less than 100,000! In times tables, they have completed their baselines assessments which we hope they will improve on over the course of the year.

#### THE SPACE CENTRE

On Tuesday we have a fabulous day at The Space Centre. All the children's behaviour was exemplary on the bus. Going through the space centre the children behaved perfectly, showing respect to the general public, the staff and each other. The staff mentioned how well behaved our children were!

It was such a fun, and inspiring day to start our Space topic. As a result of this, the children have been creating their own iMovie trailers, on their iPads! Why not ask them to show you theirs?

Book Recommendations:



The Iron Man came to the top of the cliff. Where had he come from? Nobody knows. How was he made? Nobody knows.

Mankind must put a stop to the dreadful destruction by the Iron Man and set a trap for him, but he cannot be kept down. Then, when a terrible monster from outer space threatens to lay waste to the planet, it is the Iron Man who finds a way to save the world.

Ted Hughes - the most magnetic and original writer of his generation.

### Why does Miss Hardy recommend this book?

I loved this book when I was a child, it was also read to me when I was in Year 5! The story hasn't ages at all, it sits comfortably in the modern world, as much as it did when I was at school. For myself it was a real treat to stroll back in time and

green- no images, texts or logos. The children also need to wear plain black shorts or tracksuit bottoms.

This is an example of what is expected.



re-acquaint myself with this magical story from my own childhood and share it with my class. The illustrations are fantastic and beautifully complement the story rather than detract, or overshadow it.

 ${\rm I}$  would highly recommend this book to read as a family! (There is now a movie adaptation of it too- but the book is much better!)

# Non Negotiables:

Everybody, every day' - Reading with your child every night and signing their diary.

Practise times tables including the division facts. Use Times Tables Rock Stars or any other method to practice. Your practice is paying off! Keep in contact with us using Class Dojo. Complete Working in Harmony booklet.

Have a good weekend.