## YEAR 5 CURRICULUM NEWS Spring 2024

Dear Parent / Guardian

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda! We hope you enjoyed your Christmas break. It's been a cold start to the new year, but children have already settled in well and it has been lovely to hear their news.

This term, our whole school topic is 'Journeys' and year 5 will be looking this theme with particular focus on coasts and coastlines. We will be weaving this theme through all subjects in the curriculum. Details of what will be taught in each of the Areas of Learning can be found below .

P.E. will continue to be taught on *Tuesday afternoon* -Could you please provide your child with PE kit suitable for indoor and outdoor activities. Those children will long hair will need to tie it back and jewellery must follow school guidelines.

\*\*Please provide your child with a labelled water bottle-these should be taken home at the end of each day, washed and then returned the following day. \*\*

As ever, our weather is unpredictable, so please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for both warm, cold and wet conditions.

Homework will be set on a *Friday* and homework books need to be returned by the following Thursday. Please help your child by checking their work to ensure that it is neatly presented and comments on any support needed would be appreciated.

Daily reading and times table practise is also essential. We will be studying fractions and percentages this term – knowing your times tables is a *must* in order to be confident in this tricky area of maths.

If you have any concerns or queries during the term, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Price Mrs Hadall

Area of Learning	Activities
Language, literacy and communication skills	Creative writing - diary writing- as a traveller Explanation texts - linked to scientific and geographical research Narrative writing linked to oceans. Weekly spelling, grammar and handwriting activities Reading comprehensions linked to topic Independent reading for research
Mathematics and Numeracy	Multiplication, division, times tables addition and subtraction of decimals Fractions of shapes, fractions of an amount, improper and mixed number fractions Percentages and decimals Timeand other measures, data handling
Humanities	Coastline of Wales and specific areas around the world. Journeys across the sea Continental drift intertidal zones- use of tidal energy Geographical features- caves, stacks, headlands etc How coastlines have changed Coastal erosion - causes ,effect and prevention Rising sea levels
Science and technology	Light Materials - rocks and soils - identifying different types. Properties of and composition  Coding - use of algorithms Internet safety
Health and Wellbeing	Yoga /dance Circuit training Invasion skills ( hockey) Importance of exercise to wellbeing Identifying and managing feelings
Expressive Arts	Music - iconic music linked to the sea - popular and classical Eisteddfod Art