



# Shakespeare Primary School

## Year 5 Newsletter Autumn Term 2021

### Don't Forget...

- Please continue to encourage your children to use their planners to complete homework, learn spellings and read four times a week.
- Lots of our exciting moments are tweeted. Follow us at @shakespearels9
- The school website has an E-safety section with a comprehensive list of ideas of how to keep your child safe on the internet. Please take a look.

### Important Dates

- **Osmondthorpe Allotment trip**  
14.9.21 5L  
15.9.21 5AB  
17.9.21 5N
- **D:Side visits: 5.10.2021 / 11.10.2021**
- We break up for the half term holiday at 3pm Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October
- PE days are Swimming on a Thursday for all classes and PE Mondays for 5N and 5L and Fridays for 5AB

Our Learning Project for Summer Two is...

## Sow, Grow, Farm

### How has land use developed in order to meet our dietary needs, overcome seasonal climates and feed a 21<sup>st</sup> century society?

Let's grow! A crispy carrot, a luscious lettuce or a tasty tomato. We will dig deep and put our backs into it, as we visit a local allotment site to observe what the local community members are growing and how the land is used. While on site, we'll take photographs, draw sketch maps and ask questions of those who tend the land as we search for our favourite plants and flowers to use in our upcoming watercolour masterpieces during Art. The children will join in with some digging, weeding, planting, propagating and harvesting and fingers crossed we can take samples of food grown at the allotments back to school to taste and enjoy. We will complete a survey on how the physical features of the allotment support its success.

Through further study, we will also sharpen our map reading skills by learning to use six figure grid references accurately. In DT and Geography we will investigate different climates and how this affects farming. We will explore where and how our food has travelled and we will 'Eat the Seasons' in a DT mini project.

In addition to learning how to stay safe online, we will also be creating stop frame animations to show the life cycle of a plant. Through science we will observe and report on lifecycles of both plants and other living things including worms! In our English lessons we will read *Stig of the Dump* by Clive King - using themes from the book we will write additional chapters, diaries and persuasive adverts. We will also read the story of Greta Thunberg and write about how together, we can tackle climate change.

#### Maths

- Place value, addition and subtraction

#### Other Areas of Learning

- PE – gymnastics and dance
- PSHE - D:side Managing Risk, Male and Female body parts, Self belief

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