

Year 5 Newsletter

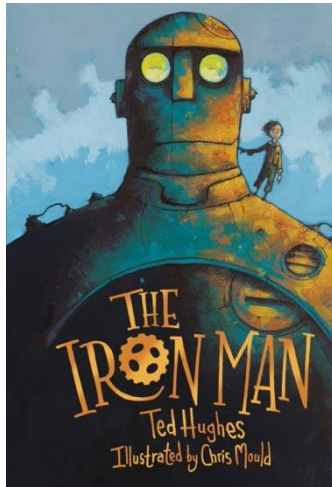
Autumn Term 2 2022-2023



Well done to all the pupils for a very enjoyable 1st half term!

Ted Hughes – Iron Man

Melding science fiction with fairy tale, this book tells the story of a gigantic metal robot who is discovered by a young boy, Hogarth. The Iron Man proceeds to devour farm machinery until the farmers rise up against him. This novel contains themes of bravery, prejudice, and irrational fear. The book has a range of chapters that will support a writing outcome this term, with cross curricular links to our science topic of materials. Key chapters will be available on Showbie later in the term. We will also be using this text to support our reading lessons.



Uniform

Please **label all items** of clothing with your child's name to enable us to return lost property to the correct child. Last term we had several missing items that we were unable to return due to names being washed off. Children should be wearing a **school logo** jumper and the correct PE kit on PE days. Please check the uniform policy of you are unsure what these items should be.

Home Learning

Your child must read at home, each night wherever possible, in order to make good progress. Parents/carers can help pupils by reading alongside with them and by asking questions in relation to the text. Your child will continue to receive weekly spellings alongside additional maths tasks. These will be set on Friday and must be completed by the following Friday. Children are expected to read every day and parents/carers need to acknowledge this through a signature once a week. The journals are checked in school regularly.

Physical Education

P.E. will be taught on a Monday for 5TS and a Tuesday for 5SA. The lessons will be based on throwing, catching and passing through a variety of team games. Children can wear a PE kit for the duration of the day when they have a PE lesson. As the weather is now starting to become colder the pupils are expected to bring in warmer, suitable clothing to stay warm.

Science topic- Materials

The next topic will comprise a range of lessons based on materials. Children will:

- Compare and group together everyday materials based on their properties.
- Know that some materials will dissolve in liquid to form a solution.
- Understand the particular use of materials based on evidence from fair tests.
- Explain that some changes result in the formation of new materials and understand that this type of change is usually irreversible.

Value of the Month

This term, we will explore the value of **peace**. We explore our values in depth through assemblies, PSHE lessons and across the wider curriculum. We will also be exploring the theme of **tolerance**.

Key dates this term

- Road safety workshops in school – Wednesday 9th November
- Dare to be different day – Friday 18th November.
- School Christmas Fair – Saturday 10th December.

Supporting families

Since the energy crisis began, the cost of living has grown exponentially in all areas of our lives. It is important that the families in our Wingfield community are being supported through some of these challenging financial times. With that in mind, please find some links to support families. These range from gaining financial support to receiving advice. The links are available below:

Energy Saving Trust

<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/are-high-energy-bills-having-an-impact-on-your-mental-health/>

Citizens advice

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/get-help-paying-your-bills/grants-and-benefits-to-help-you-pay-your-energy-bills/>

The energy bills support scheme discount – some families maybe eligible for support.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/getting-the-energy-bills-support-scheme-discount>

The children have worked extremely hard across all areas of the curriculum. In particular, the children should be very proud of the 'Shackleton' display which presents an array of outstanding pieces of learning. The school was particularly impressed with the range of outstanding writing outcomes produced which included a biography, a setting and description and a diary entry. In addition to that, the children have really enjoyed engaging with the school's new curriculum. Once again, a wonderful start to the year and let's hope that this continues as we move towards Christmas! Mr. Savage and Ms. Ashdown.