



**ABBHEY MEAD**  
PRIMARY ACADEMY

Spring Term 2023  
Year 5

Dear Parents,  
Happy New Year!

We hope that the children have had a brilliant Christmas holiday and have recharged their batteries.

We are all looking forward to an exciting new term.

Best Wishes  
Year 5 Team

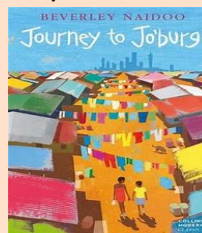
English:

This term we will be reading *Journey to Jo'burg* by Beverly Naidoo

This book is an inspiring story of two young courageous children, a brother and sister called Naledi and Tiro.

Children will learn to:

- Write a balanced argument
- Write a recount
- Develop their reading comprehension skills.



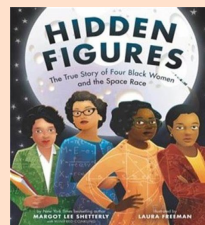
Children will continue to read weekly as part of our shared reading sessions. It would be great if you could ask your child what they have been learning about in shared reading and their English lessons to reinforce the learning that takes place.

This term we will also be reading *Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race* by Margot Lee Shetterly

This book tells the story the achievements and determination of four iconic women at key moments in American and world history.

Children will learn to:

- Write a newspaper report
- Develop their reading comprehension skills.



Mathematics

This term pupils will be focusing on:

1	Number: Multiplication and division using written methods and solve problems.
2	Number: Multiply fractions by whole numbers, find fractions of amounts and quantities
3	Number: Read, write and compare decimal numbers. Recognise and use thousandths and relate them to tenths, hundredths and decimal equivalents. Round decimal numbers with two decimal places to the nearest whole number
4.	Perimeter and Area: Finding the area and perimeter of different shapes
5	Statistics: Reading, interpreting and drawing a variety of line graphs and tables

In addition to this, there will be daily arithmetic practice and fortnightly quizzes.

P.E.

This year, children need to come to school in their PE kit on PE days. Children will need a warm sweatshirt and jogging bottoms on top of their t-shirt and shorts.

PE days: -  
5PSGH - Wednesday  
5KO and HF - Tuesday

**Swimming will be on Monday afternoons for 11 weeks.**

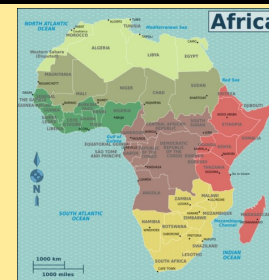
Homework, Spellings and Learning Logs

Homework will be due in every **Wednesday**. Please only send Homework books on Thursdays. Please spend 20 minutes each day reading and sign their Learning Links sheet - we will be checking that this is happening.

Spelling tests will also take place on Wednesdays.

Connected Curriculum  
Africa

The children will start to get an understanding of just how diverse the continent of Africa and develop their geographical skills.



Space

The space topic will allow children to learn about the solar system, find out about the history of space exploration, explore the lives of astronauts and create artwork, models and music.



Important Dates:

- Africa Topic launch- week beginning 2nd January
- Landing day for Africa topic Week beginning 13th February
- Space Topic Launch- week beginning 27th February