



Class Five/Six

Thursday 23rd October 2014.

Project

Your next project will have a bonfire theme! We would like you to write a poem inspired by the thought of bonfire night. You can use any aspect of bonfire night as your poem – the history, sights, sounds etc.

It is really important that you bring your poem into school on Monday the 3rd of November because we are going to pick some from each class to perform in our Key Stage assembly on the 5th of November.

Topic

Next half-term we will be travelling forwards through time to learn about life in ancient Egypt. If you have any books or other fascinating objects to do with our topic which you would like to bring in, we would love to see them!

Reading

Please keep practising your reading over the holiday and let us know how you are getting on by asking someone at home to write in your Reading Record. We will be choosing our Book Worms of the Month when we come back to school.

Spelling

Next week we will be learning about words with the prefix **sub-** such as **submerge**.

You will be given a list of 5 words beginning with **sub-** to learn over the holiday. You can choose to do this any way you would like, for example by asking someone to test you or by writing sentences which include these words. We will test you on these words on the Thursday of the first week back.

English

After half-term we will be starting our English unit on scary stories. Do you have any favourite scary stories at home that you would like to bring in? Can you have a go at writing a spine-tingling passage from a scary story of your own?

Maths

A number of parents asked about the mental maths challenges we do in class each week. We have sent home a copy of one of the challenges we do, in which children find the answers to mixed calculations within a certain time. The object of the challenge is to develop confidence and speed at recalling number facts. We have written the target time at the top of each sheet so that you can have a target to practise for.

We will be continuing to learn the 3 times table for the Times Table Challenge. Don't forget to learn the division facts for the times table too, e.g. $27 \div 3 = 9$ (or *how many 3s are in 27?*) and complete your 3 times table booklet.

The My Maths login is: **parkgrove** and the username is: **multiply**. This weeks' task needs to be completed by **Friday 31st October**. Well done to those of you who have completed My Maths tasks set so far this year.

Other Notes

Your class blog needs you! Please remember to visit the Class 5 and 6 blogs on the school website to read and comment on what we have been doing in class recently: <http://parkgroveprimary.co.uk/>. We have exciting plans for a new maths challenge on the blog, so watch this space!

You have all worked exceptionally hard over the last half-term. Well done and have a fantastic holiday!

Miss Land and Mr Baines.