

15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# Year 5 Newsletter

*Dear Parents*

*This week in maths, we worked on thousandths as decimals, rounding decimals, ordering and comparing decimals and adding decimals. In English, we had a week of poetry. First, the children studied the poem 'If' by Rudyard Kipling. They then looked at the poem 'The Raven' by Edgar Allen Poe and the class learnt to recite the first verse off by heart - I wonder if your child can still remember it! Finally, the children wrote a pair of poems called 'The Mirror of Wishes' and 'The Mirror of Despair'. In geography, the children learnt about the animals of the rainforest and in science, we found out about water resistance, and carried out an investigation related to the effect of objects being streamlined. In RE, the children had to consider all the people who were responsible for the death of Jesus, then they had to decide how much responsibility lay with each person or group of people. As always, many interesting discussions took place.*

*Linked to our poetry work, the children followed a Youtube tutorial to draw a raven. I thought the results were excellent!*



### Teacher of the Week

*This week, Ava gave a presentation in the hall about sport. She then led a whole PE lesson, comprising of gymnastics and football activities. It was very impressive indeed and the children loved it!*



### Consultation Evenings

*It was great to catch up with everyone at the consultation evenings. Remember, if you ever have any queries, you can ask any time!*

### Home Learning

*Linked to our work in science this week, I would like the children to make a boat! They can recycle any materials to make it, but they should try to make their both streamlined. The boats should be sent in to school on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March (preferably not before, as storage is an issue), then on that day, or Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, we will take them to the stream to see how well they sail!*

*Best wishes,*

*Louise Grinstead*