

**HATFIELD PEVEREL**

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Dear Parents,

We hope you had a good Christmas break, and your children are now looking forward to the exciting activities planned for this term, many based on our topic of India.

As part of our RE studies we will be visiting the Hindu Temple in Neasden on **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> February**. This has always proved to be a highly successful visit that widens the children's cultural experience and encourages religious tolerance in our multi-cultural society.

In addition, Year 5 will be performing 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' on the evenings of **27<sup>th</sup> March and 28<sup>th</sup> March**.

Further details for both these events will be provided nearer the time.

In the coming weeks, we shall be working on the following subjects:

**English** - Stories from other cultures (India); Performance Poetry; Plays (including rehearsing and performing, and other activities related to Pirates of the Curry Bean).

**Maths** - Multiplication and Division; Fractions.

**Science** - Properties and changes of materials.

**RE**- Hinduism (The Trimurti, Reincarnation and Karma. Hindu customs associated with death. Pilgrimages. Creation stories. Hindu symbols. Puja and meditation).

Buddism (living as a Buddhist) and Sikhism (Holy book and temples).

**Geography**- India (location, geographical similarities and differences with Britain, life in India, climate, travel and food).

**Computing** - Coding and spreadsheets.

**Art** - Abstract paintings in the style of SH Raza (Indian artist).

**Design Technology** - Cooking and nutrition (samosas).

**Music** - Indian drum patterns, singing and performing in the play.

**PE** - Football, dance, gymnastics, tag rugby.

**PSHE** - Dreams and Goals; Healthy Me.

This half term, indoor PE is on Friday and Football is on Tuesday. Please provide a separate bag for muddy shoes after football. It would also be extremely helpful if all equipment (e.g. water bottles), footwear and clothing is marked with your child's name!

Homework - It is important to continue to read regularly with your child and discuss the text, as this is an extremely valuable way of developing their understanding and enjoyment of books. Tables, spellings and 'My Maths' will continue each week as well as half termly projects.

As always, please come and speak to us if need any more information.

Yours sincerely, Miss Tindall & Mrs Jeary, Y5 Class Teachers.



**"Enjoy, respect, achieve"**

