Welcome to Class Juniper

Hello, I'm Miss Foskett!

Hello and welcome to Class Juniper! I am delighted to be teaching Year 4 and Year 5 again this year and am looking forward to all the exciting learning and experiences we will share throughout the year.

This year, I will be working alongside our wonderful team of adults, Mrs Parker, Mrs Foot and Mrs Barbiera, who will be supporting the children throughout the morning. Together, we will encourage every child to be confident, curious and independent learners, while making sure our classroom is a happy and welcoming place to learn.

Alongside all of our other learning, we will be travelling through time with our fascinating topics for this year: Crime and Punishment, Space and The Egyptians.

Things to Remember

Homework:

- **Times Tables Rock Stars** – regular practice at home to develop multiplication and division fluency.
- **Mathletics** – I will upload assignments that are linked to topics we have covered in class so that you know what we are working on in school. Children are encouraged to complete at least one assignment each week.
- **Weekly spellings** – children will receive spellings to learn each week, with our spelling test taking place on Wednesdays.
- **Daily reading** – please encourage your child to read with you or independently every day and record their reading in their reading journal. This can be either a school book or a home book/piece of text. Talking about what they have read is a great way to support their reading development.

PE:

Takes place on **Wednesdays and Thursdays**. Children can come to school wearing their PE kit on these days and will need to remove all earrings before the lesson.

Let's Present:

Every **Thursday**, children will also have the opportunity to give a short presentation to the class. This gives the children a wonderful opportunity to develop their confidence, as well as speaking and listening skills.

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Here's to a fantastic year!

Autumn 1: Crime and Punishment

Our topic this term is Crime and Punishment, which has allowed us to combine our History and English learning in lots of creative ways.

In History, we have travelled through time to explore how crimes and punishments have changed. We began by investigating crime and punishment in Roman Britain, before moving on to the Anglo-Saxon period, where we discovered some rather gruesome punishments and trials by ordeal! We then explored the downfall of King John and learned how his actions contributed to the creation of the Magna Carta, considering how this important document changed the relationship between the King, his people and the church. We are currently looking at the reign of King Henry VIII and the gruesome punishments he put in place for the Tudors.

Our English learning has been closely linked to our history topic. We began our term with an exciting escape from Newgate Prison, where the children had to work together to solve clues, crack codes and uncover information about crime and punishment. This helped us assess what we already knew about this topic.

We then travelled to the world of Robin Hood through Michael Morpurgo's *Outlaw*. So far, we have written wanted posters for Robin Hood and a newspaper report on his daring attempt to break his father out of Nottingham Dungeon. The children developed their use of formal and journalistic language, as well as learning how to use both direct and indirect speech to report information accurately. To bring our writing to life, we used drama to create eyewitness testimonies, taking on different roles and gathering information from the events surrounding Robin's escape. We then put our journalistic skills to the test by performing our very own 'Newsround', reporting the latest developments as though we were journalists living in Robin Hood's time!

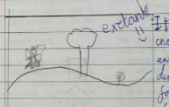
Next, we will write a poem about Robin Hood inspired by the classic narrative poem, *The Highwayman*.

Friday 25th September 2026
Lotte write a newspaper report

REMARKABLE NOTTINGHAM REPORTS

25th September 1188 ~ 5 silver coins ~ Savannah white

WARNING: REBELLIOUS RIOT, ROBIN



~~It is believed that~~ Robin took command across from a guard, stole his uniform and the keys to the dark, gloomy dungeon. Not long after, he found his convicted father and forced him to get on his steed to escape. But they didn't just ride off and flee so everyone could know that it was them - Robin would be to sly to let that be his fate for he knew he would get caught if he chose that path. Instead, the notorious outlaws decided to parade his father, astride a horse, around the market square, where they fed fruits and vegetables sellers for people were paying 10's of rotten foods (mostly fruit and vegetables) or anything they could find. The reason for their behavior was because they thought it was part of the fun right before the public hanging. Just then, at that very second, Robin mounted the horse and quickened the speed of sound away from the people chasing his father, no longer using restraint. Once they were out of sight, they galloped away on a (white steed) ~~normal~~ horse.

Yesterday, a tick clock biker known, Martin Hood (Known as Simon) a prisoner who had escaped guilt, was kidnapped from the castle and freed by his own son, the vicious villainous Robin Hood himself. Martin was being held in captivity for some ~~people~~ married to the king's deer. Robin risked everything he had, including his life, to rescue his father from a public hanging. Once they were gone, they galloped away on a (white steed) ~~normal~~ horse.

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only thing that would make me happy! I am loved! They better catch 'em. We know that most people that were in the town's marketplace were quite upset and some angry.

A guard, David cross (38) reported that he was stopped and had the keys to the dungeon taken away! I was too foolish. He has taken my job and set my house into flames! I can't imagine what else I may be. He'll probably hang me! I know that I should have done more carefull" corrected David.

The Sheriff (53) announced that he will send Robin Hood and the only reason he agreed to wage here war is till him (Robin Hood) that he will sooner or later be hung "ROBIN HOOD: Know that I will not stop until you are as lifeless as a pack of dust!" he remarked.

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A dairy maker and seller called Katie Brown (21) stated that she was having a terrible day and when she saw a hanging was going to occour, she thought it would get better. She explained "He confirmed after taking the prisoners all. All guards have stationed with him. Which is also the army around the Forest of Sherwood,