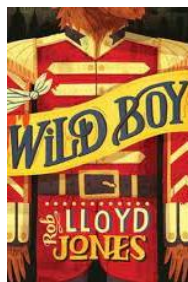
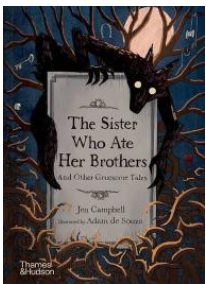


Welcome to year 5!

Staff– Mr Dixon, Mrs Kyle and Miss McMahon

Our first novel of the term is *The Sister Who Ate Her Brothers* by Jen Campbell is a collection of unusual, dark and often funny fairy tales from around the world. The stories feature brave heroes, strange creatures, clever tricks and unexpected twists, offering children an exciting alternative to more familiar traditional tales. Beautifully illustrated by Adam de Souza, the book is a great way to explore storytelling traditions from different cultures while encouraging children to think about how fairy tales have changed over time.

The second term, we will be reading two fantastic class novels. In the first half term, we will be reading *'Wild Boy'* by Rob Lloyd Jones. The book is set in London, 1841, where a young boy, different to others around him, discovers hidden talents which allow him to help uncover dangerous secrets behind dark crimes.



Welcome back! I hope everyone has had an awesome summer and is excited to get back to school. We're so excited for the year ahead and cannot wait for everything that it brings.

The class email system is always a great way to contact myself with any questions.

**Please use
DTCYear5@tudhoe.colliery.co.uk to get in touch.**

Mr Dixon

PE Kit

Year 5 will have PE every week on Thursday. Every Friday, children will need to come to school in their PE kit, meaning they do not need to get changed. PE kit consists of black/ grey shorts, leggings or joggers, a plain red T-shirt and plimsolls/trainers. Children will also need a hoodie/sweatshirt if their PE session is taking place outdoors (which we aim for as much as possible).

Children will be encouraged to be as active as possible during playtimes, so suitable shoes should be worn everyday. Earrings must be removed or covered.



Please return any school books that you may still have at home from before the summer holidays.



Healthy snacks and water bottles.

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school with them every day. Any snacks that the children have at playtime must be healthy ones.

Geography	History	Science	RE
Biomes	The Tudors	Changes in materials Forces	Sikhism
PE	Art	DT	Music
Football Indoor athletics	Portraits Curved buildings	Sewing	Melody and harmony Singing in different styles
PSCHE	Spanish	Computing	
Friendship and bullying Mental health and wellbeing	In my town	E-safety Coding	

As you can see above, we have very exciting topics to kick off Year 5.

In geography we will be learning about the different biomes that cover the globe and how the weather, plants, landscape and habitats differ between these. In history, we will be learning all about the Tudor time period and how the monarchs during this time changed the future of England.

Science lessons will further children's knowledge and understanding of materials and how substances change from solids to liquids and gas.

RE lessons this term will focus on the religion of Sikhism, finding out key information about what Sikhs believe and how they show their faith and commitment to their religion.

A note from Mr Dixon...

I am keen to learn about your children's likes and dislikes, and particularly, their hobbies so please encourage your children to share these with me! I always enjoy hearing about their hobbies and what they have been up to outside of school.

Homework will be sent out from next week. Please help to continue to support your child with their spelling and times tables homework as well as listening to them read regularly. The children also have access to Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rockstars apps to help them with their practise. Log ins will be sent out with homework books if the children need a reminder of these.

Independence

Superstars!

Pupils will earn independence points for showing independent behaviour within class.

Characteristics such as teamwork, resilience, positivity and creativity will be rewarded!