

This week the children have;

- Written a radio news report linked to the 'Alien Landing' story we have been studying.
- Started our unit on fractions - finding equivalent fractions and converting improper fractions to mixed number fractions
- Made the tallest free standing cardboard tube structure and used simple techniques to join tubes effectively
- Used a bilingual dictionary to translate unknown words

Next week we shall be;

- Enjoying our paperless day where we shall be; listening to a Podcast by Tim Peake 'How to be an astronaut and life in space'; trying some French foods; recording our radio news broadcasts; comparing and ordering fractions in an Active Maths lesson.

### Buster's Book Club

Buster's Book Club returned this week! Well done to those children who recorded their reading using the bookmark and added their minutes to the class total. The target time for Year 5 is 20 minutes per child. This week the class total for the 13 children who took part was 5 hours and 32 minutes. This is amazing considering it was only 13 members of class 5.

### Homework

#### SPaG Homework

This week year 5 have been set a homework task linked to the spelling and grammar focus from Tuesday's lesson. Some children have a paper based activity - these have been sent home today. The rest of the class have been set a task on SPAG.com (the children have been given their log in details, these are in their reading records). Both activities are due to be completed by **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**.

#### Spellings

The children have been given a list of all the spellings to be learnt this term. Copies of these sheets are also available from the Class 5 section of the school website. Spellings will be tested on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

#### Times tables

Please remember to use Times Table Rockstars as a way to improve and maintain accuracy of recall in times tables. Times Tables will be tested on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February**.

Thank you for your support in these new arrangements for homework. We hope the children are enjoying the new 'on-line' approach to homework tasks. The results are certainly encouraging.

If obtaining access to the internet is a problem the children are welcome to complete their homework at school - we would ask them to check with an adult when the most convenient time would be to use the IT suite.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Culver and The Year 5 Teaching Team