

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back into school this week and we have all settled back in seamlessly to our usual routine. Being off school for a second time and having to learn remotely was not something the children were prepared for when we came back to school after the Christmas holiday on the 4<sup>th</sup> January. However, I have been extremely impressed with the positive attitudes, adaptability, self-motivation and dedication to learning shown throughout this challenging time.

Since returning to school on Monday, we have been continuing to write our Brightstorm stories. It has been interesting to hear the variety of imaginative ideas. We have also started to read the sequel Darkwhispers, having some excellent discussions about the characters and plot as well as making predictions about what may happen in this story.

In maths we have been problem solving with fractions, decimals and percentages and revisiting some of the skills taught during lockdown. Next week we will work on our skills of measuring and converting between different units of measure e.g. metres to kilometres, grams to kilograms. We will also discuss and compare the use of imperial and metric measures (pints, ounces, miles compared to litres, grams and kilometres etc.)

The variety of different ships that have arrived in school this week have been fantastic. Over the coming weeks we will be combining our art and DT skills (printing, stitching and joining materials) to create the balloon part of our sky-ships. It will be exciting to see the finished pieces.

## Reminders:

- Comic relief Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March more details on whole school newsletter.
- Reading 5 times a week please hear your child read at least once a week and sign their reading record book.
- Mathletics It is very important that your children complete the set
  Mathletics homework as it is linked to the learning in class and will ensure
  they continue to develop their skills.
- Spellings we have almost completed the Y5/6 spelling words and will be revising some common spelling rules, patterns and phonics.
- TTRockstars