



# St Teresa's Class

## Year 5 - Spring Term 1



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed the festivities of the Christmas break and had a chance - over what is always an exciting and busy holiday - to recharge your batteries. During Spring Term 1, we will be starting our new topic "From Rio to the Rainforest."

Throughout the term, we will be looking at: instruction writing, persuasive letters, performance poetry, living things and their habitats, and unpicking the question - What do we know about life in Brazil? We are also very lucky to have dance with Sarah with a Rio theme too!

Class texts that we will be reading this term for both pleasure and to support our learning are:

**When the Sky falls** by Phil Earle, and, **Asha and the Spirit bird** by Jasbinder Bilan

You will notice these are the same as last term, we were delivered a book called "Step Father Christmas" by L.D. Lapinski from Mrs Knight as a surprise! The book was laid out like an advent calendar, designed to be read one chapter a day. The children really enjoyed trying to guess if the main character was Father Christmas or not! But this is why the books remain the same.

As always I am available on the playground at the end of the school day, so please do not hesitate to speak or contact me throughout the school year.

Kindest regards,  
Mrs Carr

### Here is a breakdown of what you need to know for a typical week.

#### Homework will be set on a Friday, this will include:

- Spellings (green book) - these will need to be practised at home ready for a test every Thursday.
- Maths, English or RE based work - set through TEAMS

#### These all need to be completed and handed back in on the following Wednesday.

- **PE** will take place on a **Tuesday** and a **Friday**; remember to come in wearing your PE kit.
- **Outdoor learning** will also take place on Fridays, please ensure waterproof clothing and a pair of wellies are in school for this.
- **Home reading** - by reading 5 times a week your child will receive a stamp towards their reading awards.

**Reminder:** please can you label school jumpers to aid us in reuniting the ones that like to wander away from their owners 😊