## Year 5 - South America

During the second half of the Spring term we will deepen our understanding of South America. We have chosen one country to study in more detail – Brazil. Building on our knowledge of the key physical geographical features we will turn our attention to the key human geographical features. We will learn about the main Brazilian cities and what the countries main exports and imports are. We will compare one Brazilian city with one UK city.

In science we will be learning about the life cycles of different plants and animals. We will look at the different ways animals and plants reproduce. We will study the work of one prominent scientist and think about the contribution they have made to understanding animal behaviours.

In English we will be writing historical recounts. We will be using a mixture of printed and online resources to research, write and present our accounts. In the second half of Spring 2 we will be writing autobiographies. We will be moving onto looking at decimals and percentages in maths. Then we will learn about area and perimeter, where we will be putting our calculation skills to use. We will continue to develop our times tables recall with our weekly Time Tables Championships.

Children need to continue reading every night at home and are expected to do some form of maths home learning daily too.

Home learning including spellings, English grammar and maths, is set on a Friday and needs to be in for the following Thursday.

PE this half term is: Netball outdoors on a Tuesday Dodgeball indoors on a Thursday. Please make sure children come to school on those days in the correct PE kit. We will be going on the first of our Year 5 trips this half term. On Tuesday 25th March the children will be going on a day trip to Whitby. Further details will be sent home nearer the time.