

How can I help my child's learning at home?

There are lots of things that you can do as a parent to assist your child with their learning:

- Try to hear your child read every night for at least 5-10 minutes – *discuss what they have read, and the meaning of new words. Enjoy this time together!*
- Help your child to achieve their reading, writing and handwriting targets.
- Practise all of the times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12
- Encourage your child to complete their homework each week.
- Tell us about achievements at home – ***every step of your child's development is important to us!***

Useful websites for fun learning activities include:

www.transum.org/Tables/Times_Tables.asp
www.coolmath4kids.com/
www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/
www.maths-games.org/
www.mathsisfun.com/games/index.html
www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/

Year 5

Reading:

Reading is a whole-school focus for us this year and it is essential for your child to be able to read for pleasure both in school and at home. Please ensure your child is reading a range of books, both fiction and non-fiction and talk to your child about their reading. Remember to keep logging in to your Bug Club online account. ***Please also remember write a comment in their reading record to let us know how they are getting on with their reading with you at home!***

Please ensure absences are kept to a minimum this term and that you continue to support your child with their home learning. If there is ever a problem, try to let us know as soon as possible, so that we are able to help the best that we can!

- Contact us by phone at: **01253 402936**
- Look at our school website at:
<https://www.gateway.fcat.org.uk/>
- Find out what we've been up to on our school Twitter page at: <https://twitter.com/gatewayfcat?lang=en-gb>



Teaching and Learning Newsletter

**Summer Term 2022
Year 5**

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Writing

Throughout the Summer Term we will continue to be using 'Talk for Writing' as a stimulus for delivering our writing units.

We will be exploring a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts, concentrating on various punctuation and grammar skills relevant to the genre, including:

- Varying sentence openers
- Fronted adverbials
- Subordinate clauses
- Imperative verbs
- Subordinating conjunctions

Use books from the library or the internet to help your child find out more about these

Reading

Throughout the Summer Term we will continue to be using a range of fiction and non-fiction texts to improve our reading skills.

We will focus on an increased fluency in reading aloud, the use of punctuation to aid expression, identifying key features of texts, and beginning to be able to express opinions providing evidence to support these.

Talk to your child about what your beliefs are. Do they have any opinions?

Maths

This term we will be covering different aspects of maths, integrating problem solving and skills wherever possible.

The main topics that will be covered are:

- Fractions, Decimals and Percentages
- Money
- Multiplication and Division
- Geometry
- Mass, capacity, and volume

Science and Technology

Science: In Summer we will be learning about living things and their habitats.

DT: In Summer 2, The children will create their own 'Savoury Dish'. As part of this topic, the class will; research ingredients, plan a recipe, create their own dish and evaluate their finished product.

Computing: In Summer, we will be creating our own concept maps, focusing on categorizing animals and where they live.

Religious Education (RE)

During Summer 1, Year 5 will be learning about Buddhism and the key question is 'What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?' In Summer 2, we will move on to Christianity and the key question will be 'Does a Christian have to go to church to show their commitment to God?'

Practise recalling your multiplication and division facts for your times tables



Humanities

Geography: During Summer 1 we will be starting a Geography unit on Europe. The key question is: 'Which countries make up Europe?'

We will be exploring: The location of Europe on a map, countries and capitals, European cuisine

History: During Summer 2 we will be learning about different forms of Crime and Punishment. The key question will be, 'How has crime and punishment changed over time?'

We will be exploring: Trends in crime and punishment throughout history, Roman and Anglo-Saxon methods of punishment and comparing methods over time.

The 'Arts'

Music – We begin the Summer term focusing on the song, 'Dancing in the Street'. Then, we will move onto 'Reflect, Rewind and Replay', where various different musical skills are recapped from the year.

Art –

In Summer 1, we will be focusing on Textiles. The class will learn how to weave and create their own patterns.