

Chapelford Village Primary School

Year 5 Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Welcome back to Year 5!

A huge warm welcome to our new term, to all our lovely parents and children! We do hope you've had a lovely February half term and that all our wonderful children, are rested and raring to go for the term ahead. We have lots of exciting things planned for this half term, including a and a day trip to Safety Central, brass instrument performances and visit from the Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service so we are super excited to get started!

Parents evening will also take place this half term, On Tuesday 24th February and Thursday 26th February, so keep your eyes peeled for more information regarding this.

Please do remember that if you have any concerns or need support with anything, pop in and see us after school, drop us an email or ring the office to make an appointment.

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Important Information and Reminders

Reading

Each child will receive a book banded reading book to take home with them with the expectation that children read this at least three times per week at home and record this in their homework diary. This then needs to be signed by a parent or guardian weekly.



Homework

Homework will be sent out each week on a Friday and will be due in the following Thursday. The children will also have a log in for TT Rockstars and Reading Eggs sent home, and once they have these, we ask that the children use this two times per week at home. If your child struggles with any of the home-learning tasks that are set each week, please feel free to ask us for any help or guidance.

PE Kits and Uniform

Thank you all so much for your support this year so far with PE kits as the children have looked incredibly smart in the correct kits. The children will continue take part in two PE lessons per week, on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**, and after a successful trial, will continue to come into school in their PE kits. This has allowed us to maximise the duration of our PE lessons and encourage the importance of regular physical activity and remaining active throughout the day.

Brass instruments

The children are thoroughly enjoying their weekly music lessons, where they are learning to play a brass instrument. If you have signed a consent form to allow your child to take their instrument home to continue their practice, please can you ensure that they are bringing in their instrument each **Wednesday** to enable them to actively participate in their lessons. Please keep an eye out for a letter about the children's first brass performances (dates to be confirmed).



English

Class texts:

This half term, our Author Study focus is on Robert Swindells and in English, the children will be focusing on the text *The Darkest Dark*. The children will develop their understanding of relative clauses and relative pronouns and then have the opportunity to apply their skills by writing their own information leaflet. We will also be exploring the story of *Exploring Space* as part of developing the children's reading skills with a specific focus on inference and comparison.

Maths

This half term, the children will be looking at multiplication, division and fractions. They will be using the terminology multiples, factors and prime numbers and will be developing their skills of using formal written methods to answer questions. They will also explore equivalent, mixed and improper fractions and apply this to their addition and subtraction skills.

Science

In Science the children will be learning all about Forces, with a focus on revisiting magnets from Year 3. This will include developing their knowledges on Earth, Sun and the Moon in Physics.

PE

Children will develop their fundamental movement skills in our topic of badminton.

RE

The children will be studying Christianity – Jesus and considering the question what do we mean by a miracle?

Design Technology

In DT the children will be learning about structures and how shape is important to bridge structures.

MFL – French

In French, the children will be learning about carnivals, colours, clothing and descriptions.

Music

Year 5 will continue their brass lessons; they have made excellent progress so far and we look forward to seeing this continue further.

History

Children will continue their learning about the Ancient Maya and their impact on society and beyond.

Geography

In Geography, the children will develop their understanding on why oceans matter. This will include discovering the impact humans have on oceans.

Computing

Year 5 will explore how digital tools can inspire change. Here, they will understand what reliable digital content is.

Art

This term the children will develop their painting skills to create a palette for the natural world.

PSHE

The children will be develop their understanding about 'changing me' how they grow and change during puberty.