

Chapelford Village Primary School

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1

Welcome to Year 5!

A huge warm welcome to the first term of Year 5! We hope that the children are well rested and ready for their new school year, which we will strive to ensure is filled with hard work, determination and challenges. It is fantastic to see all of the children smartly dressed in correct school uniform as we start the new school year and eager to learn.

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 five 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

The children will take part in two PE lessons per week and they will need to have their PE kit in school at all times. Children must bring their P.E. kit in a drawstring gym bag and have a white t-shirt, blue/black shorts and black pumps or trainers. If you have any concerns regarding PE kits, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Please Note:

- Children must bring to school their Chapelford Book Bags or bags of a similar size. We are unable to facilitate backpacks or rucksacks larger than these in the classroom.
- If your child needs to bring their mobile phone into school, a mobile phone agreement must be signed and returned to school prior to this. Please see your child's class teacher should you require a copy.
- Children must not come into school in trainers or with jewellery. If your child needs to come for a particular reason, please discuss this with your child's class teacher.
- Children must also not bring in their own equipment from home. We provide the children with their own pencil cases which contain everything they will need.



English

Class texts: Queen of the Falls and Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls



This half term, in English, the children will be focusing on the audience and purpose of their writing and how this affects the language they use within different genres of text. The children will also develop their understanding and application of paragraphs and fronted adverbials.

Using Goodnight Stories of Rebel Girls, there will be a focus on developing the children's reading skills, with a specific focus on retrieving and inference skills. The children will also have an opportunity to write a biography in the style of the author for the book.

Maths

This half term, the children will be completing their topic of place value for numbers up to one million. This includes reading and writing numbers, ordering and comparing numbers, rounding and negative numbers. The children will have lots of opportunities for investigating, exploring and reasoning with these concepts.

They will then start to look at the four operations, starting with addition and subtraction.

Science

In Science the children will be learning all about different forces such as gravity and air resistance. They will be conducting experiments and investigate and practice different scientific skills such as pattern spotting, fair testing and identifying and classifying.



Art

This term the children will be developing their drawing skills. The children will create their own pieces of artwork using a new technique called subtractive drawing.

History

Children will learn about the Ancient Greeks and how they influenced our lives today.

Geography

In Geography, the children will be learning all about mountains and answering the question, 'What is life like in the Alps?'



Computing

Year 5 will explore computer networks in their lessons. This will also include learning about online safety.

Music

Year 5 are very lucky this year to be having brass lessons throughout the whole year, where they will learn how to play an instrument and perform as an ensemble.

PSHE

The children will be learning about different families and relationships with one another.

PE

Children will develop their balance and coordination skills. They will also continue to explore different athletic disciplines.

RE

The children will be studying Christianity and answering the question 'Where can we find guidance about how to live our lives?'

Design Technology

In DT the children will be completing a unit on textiles. They will be creating their own toys using different stitches.

MFL – French

In French the children will be learning different how to describe their feelings.