# Chapelford Village Primary School Year 5 Newsletter Autumn Term 2

# Welcome back to Year 5!

We hope the children enjoyed a well-earned rest over the half term break and are looking forward to another jam-packed half-term including Remembrance Day, Anti-Bullying Week, and Children in Need. We have been really impressed by how quickly the children have settled in after the break.

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**

The children will continue take part in two PE lessons per week, on Tuesday and Thursday. You will have received separate information which confirms we are trialing children coming to school in their PE kits on the days in which they have PE. This will allow us to maximise the duration of our PE lessons and encourage the importance of regular physical activity and to remain active throughout the day. If you have any concerns regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact us.

# **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 Tuesday to enable them to actively participate in their lessons.

# **Please Note:**

• 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.

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# **English**

#### **Class texts:**







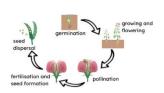
This half term, our Author Study focus is on Carol Anne Duffy and in English, the children will be focusing on two of her texts. The Lost Happy Endings and The Tier Thief. The children will develop their use of expanded noun phrases. to convey complicated information concisely and integrating dialogue within their writing using inverted commas. The children will have the opportunity to apply these skills in writing a traditional tale with an alternative ending. Using Hansel and Gretel, there will be a focus on developing the children's reading skills, with a specific focus on evaluating the author's language choice, identifying, and discussing themes within the text and summarizing.

#### Maths

This half term, the children will be concluding their topic of place value for numbers up to one million including decimals, with a focus on rounding, negative numbers and roman numerals. The children will have lots of opportunities for investigating, exploring, and reasoning with these concepts. Following this, we will then move on to exploring two of the four operations: addition and subtraction.

#### Science

In Science the children will be learning all about living things and their habitats and focusing on the life cycles of different animals and pants. They will be conducting experiments and investigates and practice different scientific skills such as observing over time, pattern seeking and comparative testing.



#### PF

Children will develop their coordination with ball and agility skills. They will then apply these skills to the sport of Hockey.

#### RE

The children will be studying Islam and considering the question why the Qur'an is so important to Muslims.

# **Design Technology**

In DT the children will continuing their unit on textiles. They are creating their own toys using different stitches.

# MFL - French

In French, the children will be learning about where people live and their local area.

#### 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 Greeks and how they influenced our lives today.

## Geography

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



# Computing

Year 5 will explore podcasts and how to create their own. This will also include learning about online safety.

#### Art

This term the children will be developing their collage skills.

#### **PSHE**

The children will be learning about their health and well-being. They will consider how they can help themselves to relax, how to persevere in times of challenge, and how our choices can affect what happens next.