

Chapelford Village Primary School

Year 5 Newsletter

Spring 1



Welcome back Year 5!

A huge warm welcome to our new half term, to all our lovely parents and Year 5 children!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and New Year and your children are well rested, ready to meet the challenges that lie ahead with hard work and determination.

As we continue strive towards the best education for your child, we would like to confirm that, homework in Year 5 is set each week on a Friday and expectations for this are that they will complete maths, spelling and either a reading or grammar. Additionally, maths will alternate between paper sheets and online sheets set on mathletics.com. All online passwords can be found in your child's homework diary.

In addition to this, children are expected to read 5 times independently at home, with their homework diary being signed by an adult once a week. If your child completes their weekly reading challenge, they are entered into a raffle for a weekly prize!

We do encourage this to be completed weekly in order to prepare your child in the best possible way for high school and the increased amount that we anticipate will be set for them.

**Once again, a huge welcome back,
The Year 5 team.**

Year 5 Staffing:

We would like to take this opportunity to reacquaint you with all the teachers in year 5 this year, and their email addresses, should you ever need to contact your child's teacher.

Class 18: Miss. Brennan and Miss. Gorman
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(Year Group Lead)
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Class 21: Mr. Kavanagh
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Important messages for this half term...

Children must bring to school their Chapelford Book Bags or bags that are able to fit into their trays. At this point for health and safety reasons, **we are unable to facilitate backpacks or rucksacks larger than these and these will not be able to remain in the classroom.**

PE will take place each week. Your child must have their PE kit in school which will remain in school. Children should arrive at school in their usual school uniforms on PE days as normal.

Children **should not** bring their own pencil cases or stationery into school as equipment is provided for the children.

If your child requires 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 of this.

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.

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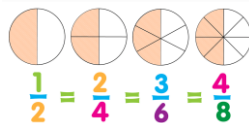
Class texts: Arthur and the Golden Rope and Odd and the Frost Giants



This half term, in Arthur and the Golden Rope, children will be focusing on using relative clauses to add information to their writing and developing their descriptive techniques. We will revisit the use of dialogue, expanded noun phrases and how to select appropriate and interesting dialogue to improve our descriptive writing. In Odd and the Frost Giant, children will be developing their inference skills, justifying their inferences with evidence, summarizing the main idea from multiple paragraphs, discussing themes and conventions, discussing how language choices and structure contribute to meaning and making comparisons within and across the book.

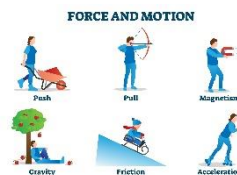
Maths

This half term, the children will be developing their learning on fractions. Finding unit and non-unit fractions, adding, subtracting and order fraction with denominators that are multiples of the same number, finding equivalent fractions, finding fractions of an amount recognizing mixed number and improper fractions and multiplying proper fractions and mixed numbers by whole numbers.



Science – Forces

The children will be focusing on developing their knowledge of scientific forces. This will include recapping gravity, when is and isn't friction helpful, what are the effects of air and water resistance, how do levers, pulleys and gears help us and who was Galileo?



PSHE – Relationships

Children will explore family relationships, with a focus on different kinds of family, the roles expectations and responsibilities of those in a family, family conflict, how our choices affect others and how we can show appreciation for others.



MFL

The children will be continuing their learning of French with a focus on food in their topic: "Healthy eating – going to market".

Additionally, we will be learning about New Years celebrations and what people in France do to celebrate.

Art and DT

In art, the children will be focusing on botanicals around the world, drawing these and applying hatching skills to create depth and shading. In DT, the children will focus on structures, looking at how frames are strengthened, reinforced and made rigid.



RE – Hinduism

Pupil will explore the Hindu faith.

PE

The children will be focusing on net and wall games this half term, specifically tennis. They will develop their precision and control skills through the sport of tennis.



History

The children will complete a research project, comparing the civilisations of the Maya and the Anglo-Saxons.

Geography

The children will learn how to read the six-figure grid reference system of an OS map, and how to find locations on the map using the grid reference



Computing

Year 5 will explore creating loops to run a block of code repeatedly and experiment coding in Swift Playground app to solve problems.

Music

Year 5 are very lucky this year to be having brass lessons throughout the whole year, where they develop their knowledge of brass and apply this to brass instruments.