

Year 5 Newsletter



Welcome to Year 5!

Welcome back after a lovely summer break.

This year, the teachers in Year 5 are Mr. Turnbull (Spruce) and Mrs Symonds (Larch).

Our teaching assistants are Mrs. Adams, and Mrs. Akhtar.



Events

MFL Day

DT Day

Swimming

All Year 5 children will have swimming lessons weekly in Autumn 2.

Further information will follow, explaining what your child will need to bring and which day they will be going.

Year 5 Homework

Sumdog

Throughout the first half term we will begin to add homework to Sumdog, which all children will be familiar with from last year. The Maths and English work will be similar to their classroom learning so that it helps to consolidate their knowledge and help them stretch their understanding further.

Spellings

Your child will bring home weekly spellings to practice. These help prepare your child for their Y6 SATs spelling test, so please encourage your child to practice at home. They should be practicing every night and a spelling test will be every Thursday.

Reading

Reading is a key part of the Year 5 homework. Please encourage your child to keep reading for enjoyment and we suggest at least 10 minutes reading every day. Your child has a Reading Record which we would like signing by a responsible adult who hears your child read. We will be monitoring the reading records so please make sure their book and Reading Record is sent in to school every day!

*** Please remember to bring in your water bottle every day ***



For your Calendar: Meet the Teacher - Tuesday 19th September at 9am

Parents' Evening: Tuesday 10th September and Wednesday 11th October

Year 5 Autumn Curriculum

Our topic for Autumn term is Significant Turning Points in British History.

We are looking at the different conflicts that have impacted and shaped the progress of British history and how these have influenced our British values. Children will use their critical evaluation skills to assess how Britain has changed over the last millennium, politically, religiously and culturally. Linking to our theme, in Art, we are using digital media to express the impact of conflicts and the feelings that may be evoked.

English

In English we will be writing a character description, using their previous knowledge of nouns, pronouns and expanded noun phrases. We will be linking our learning to our new class story, The Lion above the Door by our autumn author, Onjali Q Rauf.

Maths

In Maths this half term we are focusing on children's understanding of number and place value. It is important that in Year 5 they are able to recognise and manipulate numbers up to 1 million. We will also be studying addition and subtraction with increasingly large numbers, using our reasoning and problem-solving skills to solve multi-step problems which involve addition and subtraction.

Science

Our Science topic in Autumn 1 is 'Living things and their Habitats'. Children will be studying the difference in life-cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds, as well as the life cycles of plants. We will also be researching important naturalists and animal behaviourists.

In Year 5 we are trying to develop our independence as learners. We need to remember to be ready for learning for every lesson and remember our own reading books and homework.

Can we please remind parents to ensure names are placed in all items of clothing, including ties.
Thank you

If you have anything you wish to discuss with the Year 5 staff, please make an appointment. You can also see staff after school when collecting your child.



PE lessons

PE lessons will be on Friday afternoons. All children must remember to wear their PE kits. (And leave earrings/jewellery at home)

Autumn 1 = Padel Tennis
Autumn 2 = Dance



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