

Rushey Green Primary School

Year 5 Class Newsletter - Autumn 2 2020

Well done to Year 5 for all your hard work, determination and perseverance in your work so far. In the coming weeks, we have many exciting and challenging work for you all. Below you will find an overview of what to expect.

On a last note, a big thank you to all Parents and Carers who have been supporting their child from the start of the academic year.

Thank you,
The Year 5 Team.

This term our topic is... settlement and land use

In English this half term, we will be exploring a 'Power of Reading' book called 'Pig heart boy' by Malorie Blackman. Through this interesting text we will be looking at different genres of writing. In destination reader, the books the children will be immersed in are: Surprising Joy, Thief in the village and Journey to Jo'burg.

In Maths this half term, we will be focusing on place value, number: subtraction and statistics. This will be taught with a mastery approach ensuring that we are able to allow children the fluency they need, to have a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts.

In Science we will be looking at 'Properties and changes in materials' focusing on comparing materials and looking at their properties, discovering which materials are thermal conductors and electrical conductors. Understanding which materials dissolve and determining which are soluble and insoluble.

We will be finding out about the different stages of development from birth to old age and investigating changes as humans develop throughout their lifespan. We will be experimenting and testing out our predictions and recording data using scientific diagrams and labels.

In Geography our question is 'Where would you choose to build a city?' We will be understanding some of the key physical and human characteristics. Discovering and observing the local area and how the land is used and the types of settlements. Also, the economic activity and trade links between Britain and other European countries. Lastly, children will learn the common features between some European cities and some of Britain's big cities.

In RE we will be exploring the Christian faith and learning about places to visit in Jerusalem and how Jerusalem reminds Christians of the last days of Jesus. Also, to look closely and understand the important ceremonies in the Christian faith.

In DT we will be designing and creating a torch with a switch that controls a bulb on and off. The children will analyse a range of torches used by different people for different purposes. They will

Start and End times to the day

The school day starts at **8.45** am. This allows for a 15-minute registration time so that lessons can begin promptly at 9.00 am. It is extremely important that your child attends school on time and **every day**. Children arriving late can be unsettling not just for your child, but the entire class.

In addition, it is important that you collect your child on time (3.15 pm) as this ensures the staff have time to prepare the class and resources for the next day.

Homework

Through Purple Mash children will have: grammar, spelling, maths and times tables set every Thursday and due back on Tuesday.

It is also expected that they practise all their times tables.

Please encourage your child to practise their spellings, understand the meaning of the words and write them into a sentence.

Your child should be reading every day for 30 minutes and should be reading a combination of fiction and non-fiction.

Thank you in advance for all your support with your child's learning.

Water bottles

Please ensure you send your child to school every day with a named reusable water bottle, not the single use plastic ones. These bottles must only contain water, no juice or fizzy drinks please. Children will not have access to water fountains during this current time.



PE

Please remember to send your child to school in their school uniform with their PE kit in a named bag. Please also ensure that all items of clothing are named as we are then able to return any items if they become lost.

P.E. days

5TTG- Friday

5J- Thursday

5Cu- Monday

