



Curriculum Newsletter

Summer 1 2026

Year 5

Reading: This half term, we will be looking at a variety of texts including monologues, arguments and poems. We continue to use VIPERS to target different question areas (vocabulary, inference, prediction, explain, retrieve and summarise).

Spelling: We continue to follow the EdShed scheme for spelling. Homework for spellings can be found on Edshed in form of assessment games and Showbie. The children are tested weekly on their spellings (Friday).

Maths: This half term, we will be studying the following units: Shape, Position and Direction and Statistics. Skills taught in these units include using protractors, comparing and measuring angles, reading and interpreting graphs and tables, plotting coordinates and translating shapes.

English: This half term, we are exploring climate change and coral reefs. Our first text, The Brilliant Deep, highlights how one person's passion for the ocean led to groundbreaking methods for growing and replanting coral, offering hope for marine conservation. The outcome will be a persuasive information leaflet. Our mastery keys include using modal verbs, building cohesion within paragraphs and choosing an appropriate register to engage the reader.

In Science we will be learning all about **animals including humans** and will describe the changes as humans develop to old age. We will also be learning about **North and South America** in geography. In history, we will be delving into the **Anglo-Saxons** and learn about the kingdoms and famous archaeological sites like Sutton Hoo! **Relationships** is the unit of work which we will enjoy in our PSHE lessons, and these will also incorporate the **British Values**.

Homework: Reading (5 times a week), Edshed (5 games), Edshed worksheet (on Showbie), maths quiz (on Showbie). The completion of homework will result in various rewards such as green points and prizes.

PE Kit: Year 5 will need to come to school in their PE kit every Thursday and Friday.

Swimming: Year 5 will enjoy swimming lessons on Wednesdays on the weeks commencing: 1st, 8th and 15th June. On these days, children may wear their PE kit.

Trips: Thursday 7th May 2026-Roman Experience Centre in Chester

You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:

Daily reading practise with your child

Practise times tables on TT Rockstars

Edshed practice

Supporting your child to become more independent in getting organised for school and remembering their belongings.

For additional information and resources to support your child's learning, please see our school website and the home school links diaries.

[Home - Times Tables Rock Stars](#)

Please feel free to contact us with any queries and we will try to help wherever possible. We look forward to working alongside you and your child.

Miss Simpson, Miss Proctor, Mr Wachenheim