



Week beginning 1.12.25

Message from the Year 5 Team

Many thanks for your engagement during our meeting regarding the residential to York. We hope the children are looking forward to the educational experiences provided. Further details will be sent out next week.

As the weather is getting cooler, please can children bring coats to school to keep them warm.

Attendance

F2 96.4% Y1 95.4% Y2 96.9% Y3 96.4%

Y4 97.2% Y5 96.2% Y6 96.8%

The whole school target for attendance is 97%

Key Information

We have now completed the Autumn cycle of assessments. These will now be used to inform our teaching and to enable teachers to focus on key areas of learning. Well done to all children, they have demonstrated resilience and a determined approach.

Expectations:

Children should be accessing TTRS, their spellings and reading a minimum of 3 times a week. We have a year 5 TTRS challenge weekly – Who will take the top spot this week?

Reminder:

5CT will have their final swimming session on 9th December.

This week's learning

We have a lively week ahead! In writing, children will sharpen their vocabulary to build tension, while in reading we'll dig deeper into the characters from Escape from Pompeii. In maths, we move on to formal multiplication methods - extra Times Tables Rock Stars practice will really give them a boost. Our science focus is on reversible and irreversible changes, with lots of curious questioning and investigation. Geography links beautifully as we explore tsunamis within our Extreme Earth topic, helping children understand how and why they occur. In PSHE, we continue to think about friendship - being kind, solving problems and supporting one another. We're looking forward to a focused, energetic and inspiring week!

Whole school information

We have lots of great events coming up in the next week – we have the Christingle Service at St Johns Church where some of our choir will be singing. On Tuesday, it is Carols in the Playground at Meadow Lane with the Salvation Army Band and some lovely food and drink. We also have the Christmas Fair next Friday! In order to support the Friends with the fair we are having an optional non-uniform day on Thursday 4th December for a donation of some cake or chocolate!

Message from Mr Wilkes

I hope you have all had a good week. The children have continued to work really hard getting ready for the Panto, undertaking assessments, creating some wonderful artwork and getting engaged in reading.

We hosted an online reading meeting for Y3 - Y6 parents this evening which was expertly delivered by Anna Hodkin and Dean White. The slides and recording will be available on the school website next week. The key message is very much talk and read as much as you can at home!

As part of our school improvement work we are reviewing our approach to spellings. The children will no longer be sent home with spelling lists or have spelling tests. Having reviewed research in this area there are more effective ways which we will update you on in the new year.