



Year 5
Summer 1 Newsletter
2025 - 26

Welcome Back!

A huge welcome back to Year 5 after the Easter Holidays. I hope you all had a well deserved rest and I know the children have come back to school ready to learn and continue making fantastic progress, just like they were before the holidays.

We have lots to look forward to this half term with our new topic of Amazon Adventure which promises to be incredibly engaging as children learn more about not only the geography of South America but also the animals, plant life and people that live in the Amazon Rainforest too.

We are hoping to continue our orienteering sessions and Forest School which children absolutely loved half term and are expecting to schedule in a date for parents to come and join us and share our learning and skills.

I cannot believe that we are already in Summer Term and that we are over half way through Year 5 now! We have lots of exciting things coming up this term so keep your eyes peeled on the website for photos and news from Year 5 in Summer Term. We are also looking forward to welcoming Miss Rebanks, a student teacher, to our class during this half term and I know children will make her feel welcome when she starts.

As always, if you need to get in touch, please feel free to email or speak to me on the playground.

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Year 5 Topics

| Autumn 1 (02.09.25 – 22.10.25) | Spring 1 (05.01.26 – 13.02.26) | Summer 1 (13.04.26 – 22.05.26) |
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| The World at War | Earthlings | Amazon Adventure |
| Autumn 2 (03.11.25 – 19.12.25) | Spring 2 (23.02.26 – 27.03.26) | Summer 2 (02.06.26 – 17.07.26) |
| Victoriana | Inventors and Inventions | Higher, Faster, Stronger |

Weekly Timetable

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Bring in your reading book and record in in class every day | | | | |
| | | | | Spelling Test / New Spellings |
| | Forest School | | Homework Due In | Homework Set |

Forest School Dates: Every Tuesday afternoon
from 21st April – 19th May



Our Learning for this half term

Our topic for this half term is 'Amazing Amazon!'.

Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:

English: Our focus is going to be on 'Journey to the River Sea' with the aim for children to write their own narrative set in the rainforest before moving on to writing a persuasive letter linked to stopping deforestation.

Maths: We are continuing with our decimals unit before progressing onto percentages followed by Perimeter and Area.

Science: Living Things and their Habitats – Looking at the life cycles of mammals, amphibians and birds and describing life processes of both animals and plants.

Geography: Human and Physical Geography- with a focus on South America and the Amazon Rainforest- exploring the climate, the geographical features as well as the animals and plants which thrive there.

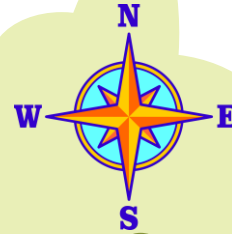
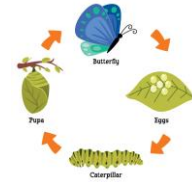
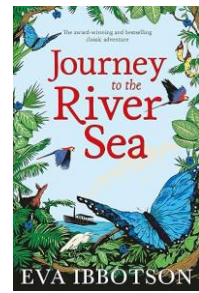
PE: Striking and Fielding

DT: Food from Other Cultures

Forest School: Orienteering- Map Reading Skills/Directions.

PSHE: Keeping / Staying Healthy – Cycle Safety and Puberty.

RE: Christianity (Jesus) What is a miracle?





Key Events for Summer 1: 13.04.26 - 22.05.26




| Class Photos | Earth Day | Crazy Hair Day | Bank Holiday | |
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| <p>Tuesday 21st April</p> <p>Class photos will take place on Tuesday 21st April, so please ensure children come to school in full uniform and ready to smile.</p> | <p>Wednesday 22nd April</p> <p>On Wednesday 22nd April, we will be celebrating Earth Day. Children are invited to come to school dressed in green or blue and will take part in a range of sustainability workshops, with a £2 contribution.</p> | <p>Friday 1st May</p> <p>On Friday 1st May, children are invited to come to school with crazy hair to support our fundraising event, with a £2 contribution and have a tattoo done in school!</p> | <p>Monday 4th May</p> <p>School will be closed on Monday 4th May due to the bank holiday, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back the following day.</p> | |
| <p>FYI - Y6 SATs Week</p> | <p>Walk to School Week</p> | <p>Building Bridges Event</p> | <p>Year 5 Pendle Sports Event</p> | <p>Coldwell Parents Meeting</p> |
| <p>W/C Monday 11th May</p> <p>Year 6 pupils will be completing their SATs tests during the week commencing Monday 11th May, and we wish them all the very best.</p> | <p>W/C Monday 18th May</p> <p>We will be taking part in Walk to School Week during the week commencing Monday 18th May, encouraging children to travel to school in a healthy and active way where possible.</p> | <p>Monday 18th May</p> <p>Year 5 have been invited to Marsden Community Primary School for a join Art event with children from Marsden.</p> | <p>Thursday 21st May</p> <p>A Sports Fun Day for some (hopefully all!) Year 5 to take part in/ Details TBC</p> | <p>Tuesday 2nd June 3.35pm</p> <p>Meeting for parents about the residential to Coldwell on 17th and 18th June.</p> |



Year 5 Routines



| Entering / Exiting (KS2 Yard) | Cloakroom | Snacks |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gates open at 8:35am (there is no school led supervision) Doors open at 8:45am Home Time is at 3:30pm (Children must tell their teacher who they are leaving with) NO parents are to use the staff car park or walk through it. | <p>Each child has their own peg for personal belongings, such as their coat, bag, PE kit & Forest School Kit (on set day).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children are allowed to bring in a healthy snack (i.e. fruit or sugar free snack) for morning and/or afternoon playtime. This should remain in their tray (not lunchbox) until eaten. No chocolate or crisps permitted. We cannot store yogurt in a fridge. Please note that we are a nut-free school due to the severe allergies that we have. |
| | <p style="text-align: center;">Playground</p> <p>Gates Open – 8:35 a.m. The school yard is not supervised by staff before school. For everyone’s safety, we kindly ask that children do not use the playground equipment during this time. If a child does use the equipment, the school cannot accept responsibility for any accidents that may occur before or after school hours.</p> | |
| Packed Lunch | Reading | Homework |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your child brings in a healthy packed lunch, this will be placed in the Year 5 area outside the dining hall. Drinks: Children should bring water in a clearly identifiable water bottle each day which will be kept in class. They will be able to refill if necessary, during the day. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each child is expected to bring their reading book and reading record into school everyday and have these on their desk. We ask parents to sign the reading record books, when children have read at home. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework and spellings will be set every Friday and due in the following Thursday. Homework books must be in school by each Friday so that new homework and spellings can be stuck in. <div style="text-align: right;">  </div> |

PE

All children **MUST** have their PE Kit in a draw string bag that is kept in school on their peg. It will be sent home to be washed and size checked each half term.

P.E. Kit

white round neck t-shirt

black shorts

black pumps (indoor)

plain black trainers (outdoor) - these may be brought in each week

plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings (outdoor)

* **plain black** tracksuit top (outdoor)

drawstring pump bag

* = optional

Note - watches and earrings must be **removed** for PE and long hair must be tied back.

We could be **indoors** or **outdoors**, depending on the weather.



PE for Y5 this term is on a Wednesday.

Forest School



When it is our Forest School day, children will come to school in their “**Essential Forest School Kit**”.

On colder days children can also wear their own school jumper or cardigan if they wish (weather dependant).

On our Forest School days, children should bring their outdoor footwear – wellies/boots and waterproofs in a bag to change into.

Forest School for Year 5 this half term is on a Tuesday!

Essential Forest School Kit – all children **MUST** bring the correct kit on their allocated day.

- plain black full legged tracksuit bottoms or leggings (no logos or stripes),
- plain black long sleeved quick dry logo top **new (* short sleeved in summer)
- waterproof coat
- * waterproof suit or trousers
- School shoes / **black** trainers (to wear inside school)
- boots / wellies
- spare socks
- hat and gloves / cap (weather dependant)

School Uniform



Forest School: Y1 – Y6

Girls

- school logo bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan
- white polo shirt
- green checked skirt / pinafore or plain black skirt / pinafore
- * black trousers
- white or black socks / black tights
- black school shoes
- * bottle green and white checked dress for summer

Boys

- school logo bottle green sweatshirt
- white polo shirt
- black school trousers
- white or black socks
- black school shoes
- * black school shorts for summer

P.E. Kit

- white round neck t-shirt
- black shorts
- black pumps (indoor)
- * plain black trainers (outdoor)
- drawstring pump bag

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- plain black long sleeved quick dry logo top **new (* short sleeved in summer)
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Extras

- * bottle green school book bag
- * bottle green school logo coat
- * bottle green school logo fleece
- * named water bottle
- * green small logo ruck sack

NO jeans **NO** trainers or boots

NO jewellery, make-up or nail varnish

NO extreme hair cuts - long hair must be tied back
(watch and plain stud earrings only)

* = optional