



Year 5
Welcome Letter
2026- 27

Welcome!

A very warm welcome to Year 5! The children have settled into their new class and routines brilliantly and have made a fantastic start to the year. It has been lovely to see them arrive each day full of enthusiasm and excitement for everything that Year 5 has in store.

We have lots of exciting learning and opportunities planned throughout the year, and the children are already showing a fantastic attitude towards their work.

This first newsletter will give you an overview of some of the learning we have planned, as well as some important dates for your diary. Please also take a look at our weekly timetable, which includes useful reminders about homework, PE days and when Forest School kit will be needed.

I'm really looking forward to the year ahead and all the experiences we will share together in Year 5. If you have any questions or queries at any point, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can contact me via the school office, catch me on the playground at the end of the school day or email me directly.

The Year 5 team are really excited for the year ahead and we know the children are too!

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Year 5 Topics

Autumn 1 (02.09.26 – 22.10.26)	Spring 1 (05.01.27 – 12.02.27)	Summer 1 (12.04.27 – 28.05.27)
The World at War	Earthlings	Amazon Adventure
Autumn 2 (02.11.26 – 18.12.26)	Spring 2 (22.02.27 – 25.03.27)	Summer 2 (08.06.27 – 20.07.27)
Victoriana	Inventors and Inventions	Higher, Faster, Stronger

Weekly Timetable

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

Forest School Dates are on the Forest School page



Year 5 Routines



Entering / Exiting (KS2 Yard)	Cloakroom	Snacks
- 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 unless permission has been given, by Governors, for exceptional circumstances.	Each child has their own peg for personal belongings, such as their coat, bag, PE kit & Forest School Kit (on set day).	- 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.
	Playground 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.	
Packed Lunch	Reading	Homework
- 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.	- 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.	- 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.





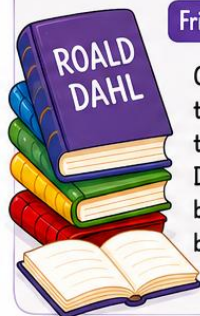
Dates for Your Diary!

Important events coming up...



Roald Dahl Day

Friday 11th September



Children can come to school dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character and bring in their favourite book.

Cauliflower Cards - Out

Friday 18th September



It's that time again! We will create our designs for Christmas cards and send these out to you.

Cauliflower Cards - Returned

Cards need to be returned back to school on or before **Monday 28th September**.



Non-Uniform Day

Thursday 24th September



Children can come to school in their own clothes. All we ask is for a donation of cakes / biscuits for our Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 25th September



Please join our coffee morning for delicious treats! All proceeds are donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

Grandparent Sharing Event

Friday 2nd October



Details to follow

Parents Evening

Wednesday 14th October

Thursday 15th October



Details to follow

School Individual Photos

Tuesday 20th October



Halloween Disco

Thursday 22nd October

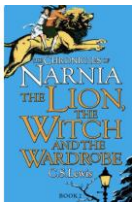
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Thank you for your support - we can't wait for a fantastic term!

Our Learning this half term...

Our topic for the first half term is 'The World at War'. Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:



English: This term, we will begin by reading C. S. Lewis' *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*. The children will explore the story, its characters and how the plot develops, before using these ideas to inspire their own imaginative writing. We will then link our English work to our learning about the Second World War. The children will find out about life during the Blitz and explore newspaper reports from the time. They will learn how newspaper reports are written and organised before creating their own report about a bombing during the Blitz. We will also be studying the well-known poem *In Flanders Fields*. The children will explore the meaning behind the poem and why it is still important today, before working together to prepare and perform it aloud.

Maths: Place Value & Addition and Subtraction

Science: Materials and their properties.

History: Empire and Legacy- Why was WWII a significant turning point in History?

Computing: Computer Systems and Networks- sharing information and Trawden Non-Negotiables.

PE: Invasion Games – Dodgeball

Art- Exploring form through drawing- focussing on the artist Henry Moore.

RE: Hindu Dharma – Where can we find guidance about how to live our lives?

PSHE: Being responsible- How to look after ourselves and others.

Forest School: Den Building linked to WW2 shelters.



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 Monday!

Monday 7th September, Monday 14th September, Monday 21st September, Monday 28th September, Monday 5th October, Monday 12th October, Monday 19th October.

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

- plain black tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- plain black long sleeved quick dry logo top **new
(* short sleeved in summer)
- waterproof coat
- * waterproof suit or trousers
- boots / wellies
- spare socks
- hat and gloves / cap
(weather dependant)

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