



Year 5
Spring 1 Newsletter
2024 - 25

Welcome!

We hope that you all had an excellent Christmas & New Year. The children have returned to school ready to learn despite all the snow and ice!

This half term our PE day will be moving to a Monday and as always homework will be given out on a Friday, to be back in the following Thursday. I also encourage that the children read at least 3 times a week and record this in their reading records.

It is crazy to think that these children will be in their final year of primary school later on in the year which adds to the importance of good attendance!

As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or queries. You can do this via email, through the school office or in person at the end of the day.

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There will be **NO** forest school this half term

Year 5 Topics

Autumn 1 (03.09.24 – 17.10.24)	Spring 1 (06.01.25 – 14.02.25)	Summer 1 (22.04.25 – 23.05.25)
Monsters and myths	Earthlings	Mayan magic
Autumn 2 (28.10.24 – 20.12.24)	Spring 2 (24.02.25 – 04.04.25)	Summer 2 (03.06.25 – 18.07.25)
Victorians	Building Britain	Amazon adventure

Weekly Timetable

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



Our Learning this half term



Throughout this half term, we will be focussing on:

English: Our focus text is going to be on Space and Earthlings. We are going to be using our imagination to make sensible predictions to what life might be like in the future and whether robots are going to take over the world! We are going to create our own futuristic gadget which transforms us into the future.

Maths: Multiplication & Fractions

Science: Earth and space - What is the movement of the moon and Earth?

Geography: The Amazon – What are the key features of the Amazon Rainforest?

Computing: Programming A – Selection in physical computing

PE: Rugby (Coach Darren)

RE: Islam -Why is the Qur'an important to Muslims?

PSHE: First aid- What can I do in emergency?

Art: Surface and colour: monoprints based on space





Homework



Each **Friday**, your child will be set homework to complete, focussing on spellings and occasional maths to support class learning. The activities will be stuck in their homework books and will be due in on the following **Thursday**. Please ensure that homework books are in school every Friday so new homework can be stuck in.

Spellings: Every Friday, we will share ten words linked to a spelling rule that we will practice in class. These words will be stuck into their homework books for them to practice and complete the worksheet. There will be a spelling test the following Friday for the children to show what they have learnt.

TTRockstars: I am now setting the children a certain amount of sessions to complete weekly. If your child doesn't have access to TTRockstars online, please let me know and I will provide an alternative.

If homework/ TTRockstars is not completed, the children will have the opportunity to complete on Friday breaktime.

Reading: Please ensure that your child has their reading book and reading record with them in school every day. Reading is such an integral part of a child's development, and I urge children to read as much as possible. Children will be rewarded if they have read at least 3 times at home (per week) for longer than 5 minutes.



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 or **white** 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.



This half term, our PE day is **Monday**.

School Uniform



Forest School

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



Key Events for Spring 1: 06.01.25 - 14.02.25



PTFA: Break the Rules Day	Children's Mental Health Week	Safer Internet Day
<p>Friday 17th January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children donate to 'break' specific school rules e.g. non-uniform, crazy hair, drink juice, eat sweets / crisps, etc. 	<p>Monday 3rd February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will discover how getting to know who they are and what makes them tick can help them build resilience, grow and develop. 	<p>Tuesday 11th February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children will focus on the theme: 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'
	<p>PTFA: Film Night</p> <p>Wednesday 12th February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School turns into a cinema and children can watch a movie (still... 'under wraps') and eat snacks! 	 <p>Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre</p> <p>saferinternetday.org.uk</p>