

Year 5



Autumn 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 have made a fantastic start to the year and I am delighted to welcome you all back this half term! I hope you all had a lovely half term break. Here is an idea of what we have got planned for this half term.

In addition to the subjects listed below, we will also be teaching units in French, PE, Computing, PSHE and continuing with our WW2 History topic.

English

This half term, we will be creating our own adventure stories and news articles. Alongside this, we will be working on spelling and grammar, both within writing sessions and through discrete lessons.

Maths

We are continuing to use Powermaths and will be starting maths sessions promptly at 8:45 a.m. This half term, we will be covering fractions. We are also working hard on remembering times tables through Times Table Rockstars, and it would be great to encourage your child to practise these at home through the website. Please ask if you are unsure of logins.

Science

In our science topic this term we will continue learning about *Forces*. We will be learning about different types of friction and simple machines.

DT

In DT this half-term we are going to be making frame structures out of wood. The children will be designing their own playground equipment.

Class Teacher

Mrs Passey

Class Adults

Mrs Long- Thursday afternoon PPA cover

Mrs Dilucia- am only

Ms Blackburn – 1 to 1

P.E. *

Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Children should come to school in their PE kit.*

Spellings

Spellings will be given on a Tuesday, to be learned for a test on the following Tuesday.

Homework

Reading x4 per week Times Tables

Rockstars x3 per week

Dates for the Diary:

Monday 10th November- Tech She Can workshop no:2

Wednesday 12th November- Cinema trip to watch Wicked

Tuesday 25th November- Autumn fayre

Tuesday 2nd December – Year 5 Mini First Aid training

Thursday 12th December (am) KS2 Christmas performance

Thursday 12th December (evening)– KS2 Christmas performance 5pm-6pm

Tuesday 16th December - Kinder transport workshop

PE

Tuesday and Thursday

Children must come to school in their PE kit. Please ensure your child has the appropriate PE kit as listed below:

- Black or blue shorts
- White or blue plain T-shirt
- Appropriate PE footwear such as trainers (not crocs or open toe sandals please)

We must specifically ask that children do not wear football tops, branded sports club shirts, or non-uniform sportswear that is not outlined in the guide. School will continue to notify/inform you if your child does not have their PE kit or the appropriate kit.

Flexibility for Weather:

- Children may wear their usual school jumper or cardigan over their PE top.
- On colder days, children are permitted to wear plain navy or black/grey joggers/tracksuit bottoms (not leggings or jeans) instead of shorts and/or a plain navy or black/grey track suit top.

Reading

During our shared reading lessons, we will be looking at 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. We will also be enjoying a class reader of The Storm Keeper's Island by Catherine Doyle at the end of each day.

Our library day is **Monday**; children should bring in their library book on this day.

Children can read either with an adult or independently and must get their home reading record signed by an adult each time they have read. Children should bring their reading book and reading record to school each day and put their book into the pink basket.

Homework

Children will be given spellings to take home and tested the following Tuesday. Please encourage your child to learn them each week and fill in BOTH SIDES of their spelling sheet. Make sure their homework folders are returned on **Mondays**.

Homework will be set online via Times Tables Rockstars, which is a fun and interactive way for children to develop division and multiplication facts. Children should practise their times tables online at least three times each week.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak with me.

Best wishes,

Mrs Passey
