

Year 5



Summer 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe I am welcoming you back for our final term in Year 5! This year has absolutely flown by. Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your support this year and am excited to finish year 5 with lots of exciting activities.

English

This half term, we will be writing some play scripts based on writing Oliver Twist followed by a discussion text on plastic pollution.

Maths

This term we will be finishing our 'Decimals' and 'Negative numbers'. We will be consolidating previous learning and doing lots of problem solving within these areas. We will finish the year by comparing and converting 'Units of measurements', including 'Volume'. These units provide excellent opportunities for children to use their mathematical skills in real life contexts, so please ask them what they are learning and see if they can help you work out measurement problems in your day-to-day life!

As always, it is essential that children have very fast recall of times table facts as this aids them immeasurably in other topics and going ahead into Year 6. Please enable them to access Times Tables Rock stars (TTRS) as much as possible. I know this can be tricky, but the app can be downloaded onto almost all devices and the children love to play the games!

History

Year 5 will continue their unit of work on Victorian Leeds exploring the main changes of the Industrial Revolution, and how it has affected the city and society.

Science

In science we will be finishing our topic of 'Materials and their properties' and moving onto 'Reversible and Irreversible changes'.

Class Teacher

Mrs Passey

Class Adults

Mrs Long (PPA cover Thursday afternoons)
Mrs Dilucia (mornings)

Mr Baldock (1 to 1) mornings
Miss Blackburn (1 to 1) afternoons

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:

Wednesday 10th June- Year 5 trip to Tropical World

Tuesday 23rd June- Summer Fayre

Thursday 9th July- Make a difference Challenge Day at Leeds Beckett

Friday 10th July- Kirkstall's Got Talent

Saturday 11th July – Kirkstall Festival

Wednesday 15th June- Year 5 production of Oliver with a Twist 1:30pm for families

Friday 17th July- Break for summer

DT

This half term we will be doing food technology where the children will be studying seasonality and learning how to make a dough. Our final product will be a fully homemade pizza.

PE

Tuesday and Thursday

Children must bring their PE kit to school in a bag to get changed into. All clothing must be clearly labelled with the child's full name. Please ensure your child has the appropriate PE kit as listed below:

- plain white t-shirt
- plain jumper or jacket
- black/blue shorts, joggers or leggings
- suitable footwear (trainers or outdoor pumps)

Music

We are finally going to perform our musical 'Oliver with a Twist.' We are working so hard on this and can't wait for you to come watch it.

Reading

During our shared reading lessons, we will be looking at 'The Lost Whale'. The children are always so enthusiastic about our reading lessons so I am excited to share these texts with them.

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

We ask that children read their school reading book or another text that sparks their interest, at least four times each week. For children who are avid readers, we also have a wide range of exciting books in the classroom book corner that children can take home to read.

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.

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.

Children should practise their times tables online at least three times each week via Times Tables Rockstars.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, as always, please do not hesitate to speak with me.

Best wishes,

Mrs Passey

