



Year 5

Summer Term Curriculum Newsletter 2017

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter Break and have come back to school refreshed and ready to enjoy the summer term. Year 5 will endeavour to make the most of the summer weather and enjoy activities outside, where possible. This newsletter provides; a summary of the topics the children will be learning, dates for your diary and some ways for you to help with your child's learning.

English

Spelling Tests will continue to be on a Friday for 5MT and 5SC will be having their Spelling tests on Thursday. Our English lessons this half term will be based around Greek Myths. We will be studying characters and themes. We will also be taking a look at poetry, writing some play scripts and persuasive letters. Next half term we will be looking at non chronological report writing and debating, among other things.

Maths

Times tables will continue to be tested on a Friday. Written arithmetic tests will be every Monday.

The topics we will be covering this term are; number & place value, decimals, the 4 operations (+, -, x, ÷), properties of shape, fractions and percentages, measurement (perimeter and area, volume and capacity) and statistics. In addition the children will be using their maths skills in an extra computer based session, on Monday afternoons. Maths homework will continue to be set on My Maths – please support your child by watching the 'Tutorial' together, (icon in top right hand corner of the screen). Also encourage your child to repeat the activity to gain their best score.

Science

Our topics in science this term will be living things and habitats – this will include plant and animal reproduction.

Foundation Subjects

In history we are learning about the Vikings and later on in the term we will be finding out about the Scandinavian countries, using non-fiction books and computing for research.



For PE the children are lucky enough to benefit from coaching in tennis and athletics. Alongside this they will be learning new skills in table tennis and cricket.



During our art lessons the children will be improving their drawing skills.

In computing our topics are 'We are web developers' and 'Architects.'

In RE lessons we are going to be learning about justice, poverty and wealth.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Class Assemblies

5SC – Friday 9th June

5MT – Friday 23rd June

REMINDERS

PE: Please check that your child's PE kit is complete, as some children are already missing items.

Please also ensure all items of clothing and kit are named (preferably with sewn on labels or a permanent marker). Lessons are on Tuesday and Wednesday (5SC), and Wednesday and Friday (5MT). Please ensure your child's kit is in school on those days. If for any reason your child cannot take part in a lesson, please provide a note.

Hair: For health and safety reasons, hair longer than shoulder length should always be tied up with plain navy or dark coloured hairbands. Earrings should not be worn to school.

Reading: Year 5 children should be reading at least three times per week with an adult. Reading should be recorded and signed by an adult, and remember, children should be completing tasks which can be found at the end of the reading book. Children should bring their School Planner into school every day and house points/merits will be awarded for regular reading.

Homework: Homework will be given every Thursday to be completed by the following Tuesday. If your child finds it difficult to complete homework at home, they may use the Homework Club on Thursday lunchtimes. In addition to the set homework, we would ask that children should continue to learn spellings, times tables and number bonds. We value the support of parents in providing the time, encouragement and suitable environment for the children in which to complete their homework.

If parents would like to discuss any matters with us, either catch us on the playground after school or make an appointment with the office.

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Y5 Class Teachers