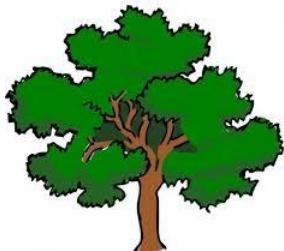


# Year 5 Autumn Term Newsletter.



Welcome to Year Five! We hope that you have enjoyed your summer. This information sheet will give a broad outline of the work your child will be undertaking this term. We hope you will find it useful. If you have any queries, please see your child's class teacher. In our teaching, we make cross-curricular links with other subjects to not only enhance and embed the children's learning, but also for their enjoyment. These links are detailed below.

**MATHEMATICS:** In maths, we will be looking at place value within 100,000 and then 1,000,000, addition and subtraction, graphs and tables, multiplication and division; perimeter and area.

**ENGLISH:** In English this term, we will be basing our work on the fabulous books by Roald Dahl such as the Enormous Crocodile and the Twits and then a narrative poem by Alfred Noyes, Highway man. Our work will also be related to our topic work in science and history such as pollination and the Victorians. A wide range of writing genres will be covered.

**SCIENCE:** The Science units this term are 'Living things and their habitats' and 'Earth and Space.'



**History:** The history topic this half-term is Victorian Britain. The children will learn about Queen Victoria, the Industrial Revolution, important inventions of this era, Victorian buildings in Wallington and what life was like for a Victorian child.

**Geography:** In geography we will be learning about mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes.

**R.E.:** For R.E we will be learning about Hinduism, Harvest and how Christmas is portrayed through art and music.

**RHE (Relationships and Health Education):** In RHE we will set goals for the achievements we want to reach in the year as well as understanding rights and responsibilities as a British citizen and a member of a school.

**ART:** Our art focus this term is Still life and the works of famous artists from the Victorian era. We will attempt to replicate the work of William Morris.

**P.E./GAMES:** In 'Outdoor PE' we will be developing our basketball skills and sports leadership activities as well as Gymnastics and Dance in 'Indoor PE' Please remember to come dressed in your PE kits on your PE day.

**Computing:** In Comptuing we will be looking at how to keep ourselves safe online with our E-Safety unit. We will also be looking at Technology In Our Lives and how technology has changed throughout history.



**READING:** Please ensure that your child brings in their reading book and reading record every day. Children can choose 1 reading book from our book corner to bring home from school but are also most welcome to read their own choices of age appropriate books. All children will have the opportunity of reading or hearing others read during whole class reading. Individual reading for some children will also take place.

**TIMES TABLES:** Practise your times tables (including division facts please) every night for at least 10 minutes; it is essential to have a good understanding of them, as we use them every day. We are still using 'Times Table Rock stars!' and hope that you are still enjoying it. Your child's username and password will be stuck in their new homework diary.

**HOMEWORK:** Maths: Children will receive their homework on a Friday and it is due back in on the following Friday. We will then mark it together in class on Friday, before handing out the following week's homework.

**Spellings:** We will test the children on 12 spelling words that follow a spelling pattern plus and 4 statutory words from the Year 5/6 curriculum per week. We will then get the children to stick their homework in their homework/spellings books. Homework is to practise spelling these words by using the LCWC strategy (look/cover/write/check) and repeat 5 times. It would also be great if they can then use this word in a sentence to ensure understanding. Spellings homework is due back that Friday of the same week when the children will be tested again on these words.

Subject	Day	Hand in by/diary signed by	Response
Reading (10 minutes minimum )	Daily	Friday	Fill in your diary reading record.
Maths (30 minutes minimum)	Friday	Friday	Complete task and return in folder.
English - Spellings (30 minutes minimum)	Monday	Friday	Complete task and hand in.
Topic / Science	Autumn 2: Space Project (Science)	Date given by class teacher	Complete task and hand in.

**CONTACT:** Teachers are usually available for quick queries at the end of the school day. Please write any notes in your child's reading record and ask your child to show this to their teacher at the start of the school day. If a matter needs a longer discussion, please write to your child's teacher to make an appointment to speak on the phone at a mutually convenient time.

We hope your child settles in quickly and enjoys their first term in Year 5 and we will do our best to ensure this.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 Team - Miss Alexander, Miss Clark and Miss Jones.