



YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 2026



Welcome to Year 5!

We hope you had a wonderful summer holiday and are looking forward to the new school year.

The Year 5 Team:

Miss Vicky Dean – 5D class teacher and Y5 leader

Mrs Julie Gill-Hall – 5GH class teacher

Mrs Jackie Hall and Miss Vicky Fletcher – Y5 teaching assistants

Mrs Helen Gatenby – HLTA (Mon-Wed) and PPA cover (Mon pm-5GH and Tues pm-5D)

Curriculum

We have lots of exciting learning planned for this term. In geography, we will be learning about mountains and exploring different types of maps. We will also use our knowledge about this subject as a stimulus for our writing later in the term. In science, we will be developing our working scientifically skills by investigating different forces, and in art, we will be exploring and developing different drawing techniques and applying these to create a dragon eye.

Reading – Focus on prediction and summary using both fiction and non-fiction.

Writing – Focus on handwriting, punctuation and sentence construction.

Maths – Place Value and Number

PE Days

Our outdoor PE session will be on **Tuesdays**. Your child will need to have a white t-shirt, black/navy shorts or tracksuit and a pair of trainers.

Our indoor PE session will be on **Thursdays**. Your child will need to have a white t-shirt and black or navy shorts/leggings. First unit: Dance

Branded clothing should not be worn (with the exception of trainers). Children can wear their PE kit to school on PE days.

If your child forgets or brings incorrect (including branded) PE kit for 2 weeks in a row, they will be asked to miss a playtime.

Homework

Spelling – Complete at least 2 spelling activities from the list in their Spelling Journal and activities on Spelling Shed using the spellings for that week (which will be stuck in their books).

Homework will be given out on Fridays and should **be returned on Wednesdays**.

Maths – Maths Bingo tasks to be completed across the half term and returned at the end of each half term for rewards.

Bookbag – Your child needs to return a signed reading record in their book bag each week **by Wednesday**. In Y5, we encourage the children to read a wide variety of books and articles both to an adult or independently. Please ensure everything they read is logged in their reading record.

If your child does not bring their homework in on time, they will be asked to miss part of their playtime.

If they forget their bookbag 2 weeks in a row, they will also miss a playtime. Please help us by encouraging your child to get themselves organised.

Extras

Your child can access the following websites to further support their learning:

www.purplemash.com

www.readingplus.com

<https://ttrockstars.com>

www.spellingshed.com

www.mathsframe.co.uk

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to come and see one of us, give us a call on the school telephone number (0113 263 8910) or contact us on Class Dojo.