



Year 5 News Letter



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big welcome to Year 5. It is lovely to see everyone safe and well back in school. I hope you had an enjoyable (although very different summer) and your child is well rested and ready to face the new challenges ahead. Myself, Mrs. Woloszyn and Miss Griffiths are really looking forward to working with your children, and getting to them throughout the year. This newsletter is intended to give you an overview of the curriculum your child will be following over the next term as well as some useful information to help you and your child have a successful term. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office.

This term's topics:

Literacy: The children will cover a range of genres this term which will include persuasive language, information texts and poetry.

Numeracy: Some of the areas covered will be: place value, mental addition and subtraction, factors of numbers and prime numbers, using multiplication and division facts, angles, length, perimeter, area and bar charts.

Science: 'Earth, Sun and Moon' and Plants.

History: The Anglo Saxons

Geography: Our Local Area

PSHCE: We will be focusing on mental health and well-being.

Creative Curriculum: *Out of this World*

This term our Creative Curriculum is going to be all about space. The children will be inspired to investigate and explore Moon landings to Moon buggies. The 'Out of this World' topic will also incorporate Art and DT in a meaningful and creative way.

Diary Dates

Tue 29th Sep	Photographer in school
24th Oct to 1st Nov	Last day of Autumn 1
Mon 2nd Nov	First day of Autumn 2
Fri 20th Dec	SCHOOL BREAKS UP FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Due to the current situation classroom doors and windows will be open throughout the day. Please make sure your child has a hoodie or fleece that they can keep at school to add an extra layer if they need it. These can be brought into school on a Monday and taken home on a Friday.



Targets

P.E. takes place on Wednesday afternoon. Children must come to school on Wednesdays dressed in a suitable P.E kit (including trainers).

We will be covering a range of skills through non-contact sports: throwing and catching, tennis and skipping are just a few of the activities we will incorporate into our P.E. lessons. We aim to get our heart rate up and bodies moving and increase our feelings of well being.



Literacy: Autumn Term

Each child has a group writing target which they will be working on daily- please ask your child about this. If you wish to discuss this further, then don't hesitate to get in touch.

Numeracy: Autumn Term

The children do not have individual targets, however we do encourage children to develop their efficient recall of multiplication and related division facts.

Reading: - We ask that a small book bag be brought into school every Friday. Reading books will be sent home on a Friday and returned on a Friday where possible. They will then be able to be quarantined over the weekend for safety reasons. Key Stage 2 children should read at least five times a week for at least 15 minutes each time. This term in our reading we are exploring how authors use figurative language to convey meaning and looking at the ways writers set out to persuade their readers.

Homework: - In addition, the children will receive weekly spellings and numeracy/ Literacy homework (linked to work completed in the classroom). These will be given out on a Friday. Spellings will be tested on the following Friday when the homework is also due in.



Drinking Water in School:

It is more vital than ever that we are drinking regularly throughout the day, therefore can you please make sure your child is bringing a water bottle with them every day. As you know current research has shown that children perform better in school if they drink between 6-8 glasses of water a day. Plain water is best however we understand that some children will not drink plain water so we are happy for them to bring weak juice. **We must ask that children do not bring fizzy water.**

Earring policy:

We are concerned about the number of children who are wearing earrings to school. Can we please remind parents that it is our school policy that children **must not wear earrings or jewellery** whilst in school. We request this for health and safety reasons to avoid possible injury to your child and other school children. If your child is not yet able to remove them, they must be covered with a plaster or tape, can we please ask that this is done at home. Once the recommended healing period has ended the earrings should then be taken out for school. We would greatly appreciate your support in this matter.

