



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 summer and your child is well rested and ready to face the new challenges ahead. Miss Griffiths and I are really looking forward to working with your children and getting to know 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: An exciting local study named Hidden Heritage

Geography: Researching amenities in the 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.

As a reminder, and as per school policy, please could pupils with long hair arrive to school with their hair tied up. This is due to health and safety.



Diary Dates

Tue 27 th Sep	3.15pm Maths Methods meeting for parents - KS2
W/b 10 th Oct	Book Fayre
Tue 18 th Oct	10am - Open Worship 'Harvest'
Tue 18 th Oct	'Harvest Thanksgiving Day'
Wed 19 th Oct	Disco Years 3-6 - 4.30pm-5.30pm
Thu 20 th Oct	Photographer in school
Fri 21 st Oct	Last day of Autumn 1
Mon 31 st Oct	First day of Autumn 2
Wed 9 th Nov	Parents Evening - Years 3-6
14 th - 18 th Nov	Anti-Bullying week
21 st - 24 th Nov	ASSESSMENT WEEK in school
Fri 25 th Nov	School Closed - Staff Well-being day
Fri 2 nd Dec	'Cinderella' Pantomime
W/b 5 th Dec	PERFORMANCE WEEK Upper Key Stage 2 (Classes 5 & 6) Wed. 7 th Dec - 6.00pm Thur. 8 th Dec - 1.30pm
Fri 9 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 9 th Dec	Christmas dinner for children and staff
12 th - 15 th Dec	CHRISTMAS PARTY WEEK Class 5 & 6 - Thursday 15 th December 1.00pm - 3.15pm
Fri 16 th Dec	Reports go home
Mon 19 th Dec	10am - Carol Service at St Stephen's Church
Tue 20 th Dec	Last day of Autumn term - SCHOOL BREAKS UP FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Targets

P.E. takes place on Monday and Tuesday mornings. Children must come to school on Mondays dressed in a suitable P.E kit (including trainers). On Tuesday, they will arrive to school in school uniform and then change prior to the lesson. Earrings must be removed for both sessions.

We will be playing football on a Monday, developing our passing and receiving, positioning, shooting and team work skills.

On Tuesday, pupils will be enjoying dancing, where a coach will be leading them through exciting moves and sequences.



Reading: Autumn Term

Pupils will now be familiar with our 'Reading Plus' scheme. Children are encouraged to log on at home to read at least 5 texts per week, however we encourage them to read as often as possible.

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. Logins are available for TTRockstars, which they can also use at home.

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. 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

Children are allowed to wear small stud pierced earrings **except** for the days when they have PE or swimming.

On PE or swimming days earrings **must not** be worn for school and they should be removed by the parent or child at home. Covering earrings with tape will no longer be permitted as it does not ensure safe participation in sports activities.

School staff are prohibited from removing or replacing earrings & the school will accept no responsibility for accidents caused by the wearing of any jewellery.

