

Year 5 Newsletter

September - October 2021

Welcome to Year 5

Welcome Back

Welcome back to school! The school gates open at 8:40am and your child is expected to be in school by 8:50am.

Reading

It is expected that your child reads at least 5 times a week. Please encourage your child to read regularly at home and to get into the practice of recording this in their reading diary. This is checked each Friday in school to ensure that children are reading at home. I cannot express the how important regular reading is for children! I would also encourage you to still listen to your child read regularly too.

PE

PE days will be Thursday and Friday for the first half-term. Your child will need to come into school dressed in their PE kit. Their first PE lesson will be on Thursday 9th September and they will need to wear their kit on Friday 10th September as well.

Homework

Details and expectations for homework can be found in the parent leaflet.

English

This half term we will be focusing on writing suspense stories. We will be using a model text called, 'The Old Mill' and will be completing activities based on this text, as well as video resources. The children will also be analysing other suspense stories and will be using language features and devices they learn about in their own writing.

Science

Properties of Materials is our topic this half term. See what materials you can find around home and think about how they would change if they were mixed together, heated or cooled. Can it be reversed?

Maths

This half term we will be covering work on: number and place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and also time. We will also be practising mental maths regularly and will have a mental maths test each week.

Other Topics

Computing ~ Coding, **Music** ~ Livin' On a Prayer **RE** ~ How far would a Sikh go for their religion? **French** ~ Monster Pets
PSHE ~ Being Me in My World **Art** ~ Formal Elements: Architecture **History** ~ Ancient Greeks

Times Tables

Each Friday your child will be tested on their times tables. The times table they will need to learn will be mentioned on their homework sheet. Knowing times tables and developing strong mental maths skills is really important for all aspects of maths.