

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 1



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Year 5 have made a fantastic start to the year, they have settled into their new classes really well and are trying really hard to meet the new expectations of Year 5.

This year we are really focusing on Fantastic Speaking and Listening and Fantastic Walking and Entry.

Please feel free to download the Marvellous Me app, so you can keep up to date with all your child's achievements and all the things that happen in school.

Just a reminder that your child is able to bring in a healthy snack for break time (e.g. fruit and cereal bars) to tide them over until lunchtime.

PE Day: All children will need to have their PE kit in school for **Thursday** afternoons. As the weather gets colder, please add a plain black tracksuit to your child's PE kit to keep them nice and warm.



Diary Dates

Swimming— 5EW will start swimming on the afternoon of Wednesday 20th September for five weeks. 5ND will start swimming after half term.

Boys and girls' football clubs begin the week of 11th September.

Makaton club commences on 14th September and Dance club commences on 13th September.

History

This half term we are learning all about The Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings. We will be thinking about whether the Vikings were raiders or traders. We will be finding out where they came from and where they settled in Britain. We will also be looking at some of the battles that took place.

English

This half term we will be reading 'Outlaw' and various versions of Robin Hood. We are focusing on writing setting descriptions of both Sherwood Forest and Nottingham Castle. We will be learning how to use fronted adverbials, prepositions and expanded noun phrases in our writing. We will also be doing Guided Reading throughout the week to focus on our comprehension skills.

In RE

Prayer and Worship

Concept: Commitment

Key question: What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God.

Maths

This half term we will be revisiting our knowledge of number and place value. The children will be learning about calculating perimeter and solving problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. They will continue to deepen their understanding of fractions

Please continue to encourage your child to learn their tables facts.

Science

As scientists, we are learning about Materials and their properties, which will enable us to group materials according to different criteria.



Art

This half term the children will be developing their drawing skills as they focus on different sketching techniques to recreate their own still life drawings inspired by the artist Cezanne.

Home Learning

At this point in the year, we will be encouraging children to continue working on their times table facts and spelling the 3/4 and 5/6 spelling lists.

You will find that children may start to bring home some learning to help with any targets that they may have.