

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 1



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Hello and welcome back after what we hope was a lovely Summer break for you all! We are looking forward to welcoming you into Year 5 - we know it will be a great year!

In this newsletter you will find information about our fantastic learning coming up and some important dates for this half term!

If you have any questions or worries please contact us via email or speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the school day.

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PE Day:

PE will be on **Wednesday** afternoon so please ensure your child has a PE kit. They will be able to wear the PE kit into school on a Wednesday.

They will need a plain white t-shirt , black shorts and trainers. When the weather gets cooler, the children can bring a plain black or grey tracksuit.



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.

Diary Dates

Viking day: dress up as a Viking! We will send details out soon about when this will be and what it will entail but feel free to start getting outfit inspiration!

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 'The adventures of Robin Hood' and various other versions of Robin Hood. We are focusing on writing setting descriptions, action scenes and non-fiction texts. We will be learning how to use fronted adverbials, prepositions and relative clauses in our writing. We will also be reading 'Outlaw' by Michael Morpurgo in our Destination Reader sessions, this will help us focus on our reading skills.

RE

We are starting the year with a focus on Hinduism—in particular, looking at the different ways in which a Hindu can worship God.

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

In Science this term, we will be exploring forces. We will be investigating air resistance and how boats move on water.



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 Cézanne.

Home Learning

At this point in the year, we will be continuing our times table scheme to help us with our times tables 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.