

Year 5 Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back to the Autumn term.

Welcome back to school. I hope that you are all rested and looking forward to a busy, fun-filled Autumn term.

English: We will be looking at a range of different types of texts: narratives, historical narratives, diary writing, poetry, biographies and Shakespeare.

As ever we will be improving our grammar, punctuation and spelling skills and ensuring that we apply these skills in our writing. We will also be working on our comprehension skills through written comprehension work and our oral comprehension during Shared Reading work.

Maths: We are continuing to build our mathematical skills through understanding place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and fractions.

Practical activities to do at home: please encourage your child to tell the time regularly and look at bus and train timetables when possible as these are skills for life. Keep practicing your child's recall of their times tables. Just because they knew them last year doesn't mean they can still recall them quickly this year. They need to be practiced regularly. Also, encourage them to go onto **Doodle Maths** (ideally daily) and **Doodle Maths Timestable** as it really does boost children's understanding and confidence in Maths.

History: We will be studying Baghdad 900CE and The Early British Empire.

Geography: We will be studying spatial sense (maps) and mountains.

Science: We will study materials and living things.

Religion and World Views: We will be studying Christianity and what it means if God is loving and holy. We will also be studying the question What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?

Computing: We will be learning to create shapes in google drawings and video editing.

PSHE: We will be looking at being me and celebrating our differences.

French: We will be learning vocabulary and grammar by looking at 'Ma famille' (my family) and 'au salon de thé (at the tea room).

PE: We will be exploring invasion games, dance and gymnastics.

ART/DT: We will be studying different styles used in art and creating our own piece. In DT we will be cooking.

Music: We will look at pitch, rhythm, staff notation and improvisation in Blues jazz music.



Upcoming Events

PE this term is on a Monday and Thursday. Please remember to come in your PE kit (no hoodies).
Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school, preferably reusable.
14th and 16th October Parents' Evening
24th October Term ends
3rd November INSET
17th December Christmas Church Service
19th December 1.45 pm End of Term

Homework:

Spellings are set on Friday and tested on Friday. Spellings can be accessed and practised on SpellingFrame.

Reading –please record in your child's homework diary any reading done at home.

English homework is set on Thursday and due in the following Wednesday.

Maths homework is also set on Thursdays and is due in the following Wednesday. Please go on Doodle Maths daily.

If there is a problem with completing homework, the children will have an opportunity to discuss this with their class teacher during Tuesday lunchtime.