

Year 5 Newsletter – Autumn Term

**Building
Brighter
Futures
Together**

Welcome to the first edition of our newsletter! We have lots of exciting things planned over the next few weeks. We hope that this newsletter will provide you with an overview about what will be happening in Year Five this half term.



Our Theme this term is:
Rivers and Waterfalls (Amazon)

Autumn half term is a 7 week half term and our words for this half term are:

<u>Welcoming & inclusive</u>	<u>Thoughtful</u>	<u>Tolerant</u>	<u>Safe</u>	<u>Ecological</u>	<u>Hopeful</u>	<u>Celebrating</u>
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English



In our English lessons, we will be exploring the fictions text; 'The Explorer' written by Katherine Rundell. We will be making predictions based on half of the front cover. We will read the text and answer retrieval and inference questions based on its content. Later in the half term, we will be summarising a recent newspaper report to a plane crash in the Amazon and comparing it to our text. We will be using a range of sentence types and grammatical devices in order to produce a newspaper report which we will then use to extend into a spoken report.



Maths



As part of topic for Maths we will be learning to secure our addition and subtraction knowledge. We will learn how to estimate and approximate effectively. By the end of the half term we will be able to answer a range of multi-step problems linked to addition and subtraction.

Reading

This half term we will focus on reading fluency and the use of expression to add interest and enthusiasm. We will experience reading as a whole class, as part of a group and individually. Your child will bring their reading book and record home each day. Please return these every day so that we can read you're your child and change their book when required. Library books will be changed on a Thursday.



Important Dates

Remembrance Parade – Sunday 12th November
Children in need – Friday 17th November
Walking bus to school – Monday 20th November
Building Brighter Futures week – Monday 4th November
Key Stage showcase assemblies – week commencing Monday 4th November
Key Stage festive parties – week commencing 11th December
Autumn 2 half term ends – 15th December

Geography



During our Geography lessons we will be Explain how a location fits into its wider geographical location with reference to human and economical features. We will be able to explain why people are attracted to live by rivers and explain the course of the Amazon River.

Science



Living things and their habitats

During our science lessons we will be learning about the life cycles of mammals amphibians, insects and birds. We will be able to describe the differences between different life cycles. Describe the process of reproduction in plants. Describe the process of reproduction in animals.

Art



As part of our Art lessons, we will be using shading to create a range of different moods and feelings through landscapes. We will be studying famous pieces such as Starry Night Over the Rhone by Van Gough. We will develop our ability to express emotion through use of lines, shading, and colour. We will spend some time researching the life of Van Gogh and use his work to copy and develop our own style.

PSHCE



Me, Myself and

Relationships

Our theme this half term for PSHCE is all about Me, Myself and My Relationships. We will be learning about our identity and the relationships we have with others. We will be reflecting on challenges we might face that arise from friendships and learn how to deal with these. We will also be learning about effective communication in person and on

ICT

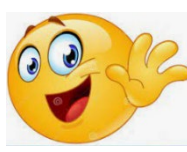


We will be learning how to combine sequences of instructions to turn devices on and off. We will be designing algorithms that use repetition.

The staff team in Year 5 are;
5KH – Mrs Holden, Miss Aisha and Mrs Malik
Mrs Gilmartin (Mondays)
5BV – Mr Vellacott, Mrs Asghar

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!

We are so pleased to see you all back in school.

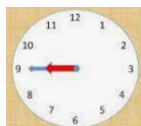


PE

PE will take place on a **Monday morning and Wednesday afternoon**. Children will need to come to school in the correct kit every Monday and Wednesday please.



school day/ routines



School starts at **8:45 a.m.**
School day ends at **3:15 p.m.**



There will be members of the Year 5 and 6 team on the yard before and after school.
If you have questions please come and speak to one of the staff team.

Equipment



Children will need to bring their own **water bottle** to school every day.

NO pencil cases or stationary as school provide children with all the equipment they need.

Reading Records must be brought to school each day.

Learning at Home

Reading: Children are expected to read for at least **20** minutes every day. Please listen to your child read and encourage them to develop good reading habits. Ask your child questions about the texts they read and please fill in the **reading records** so we can give your child a new book when they are ready.

Please note that the school has provided children with brand new reading records that must be signed by an adult and returned to school each day.

Library: Every **Thursday**, the children will spend half an hour in the library, where they will select a book they can take home and read for pleasure. Our library sessions will include a time for the children to read their books and also, we will provide them with an opportunity to listen to a range of texts. Please ensure library books are returned to school each **Thursday**.

Homework Menu:

Children will be given a homework menu. They must choose an activity from either English, Maths, Creative or Other. Homework will be given on a **Friday** and must be completed at home and handed in on a **Wednesday morning**.

Spellings

Children will be given a list of spellings in their homework books.. Please help your child to read and spell these correctly as they will be tested on these in class. Year group spellings can also be found in their reading records.

Break and Lunch Times

Break Time

10:45-11:00

Children can bring in a healthy snack for break times as it is a long morning.

Lunch Time

12:30 - 1:00 pm. (Outside)

1:00 - 1:30pm. (Lunch in Class)

Talking at Home

We encourage you to talk to your child about their learning in class.

Ask them what they have learnt each day or something new which they have found out.

See if your child can explain what they have been learning at school.

This is a good indication of how well they listen and how interested they are in their work.

They may even tell you something you didn't know!

Happy Talking

Times Tables: Year 5 pupils are expected to be able to recall all of the multiplication and division facts up to 12x. Regular practise of these is vital for your child to become secure with these facts. Please help your child to say and use their times tables and login to TT Rock Stars whenever they can.

