

Year 5 Termly Newsletter - Autumn Term 2024

We were delighted to welcome the Year 5 children back to school after the summer holidays. We have been pleased with how well they have settled back into the school routine. We will be sharing a newsletter each term to share the details of the learning that will happen and to tell you any key dates that we think you may need to know. We will also offer some ideas and suggestions of ways that you can support learning at home.

Year 5 Autumn Term Curriculum		How you can support learning at home
Reading	Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo	Ask your child questions about the book (e.g. characters, plot, theme)
Writing	SVGP focus for Autumn term 1. Non-chronological report, character and setting description, narrative poem.	Encourage the children to explore interesting vocabulary, which they can share with us in school Can they remember the different types of nouns and verbs?
Maths	Place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division and fractions	Regularly encourage your child to play Times Tables Rockstars – at least 21 minutes per week!
History	Anglo-Saxons	Visit your local library to research any areas of the Anglo-Saxons that your child is particularly interested in
Geography	Changes in our local environment	Can you identify any human and physical features of your local area?
Science	Forces and Properties of materials	Explore the mass and weight of different items within the home – maybe whilst cooking?
Art	Sculpture and 3D	Can you research any famous sculptures or find any sculptures in your local area?
D.T	Electrical systems - Doodlers	Explore what makes a series circuit – can you name the components?
RE	Hinduism – Why do Hindus want to be good? Community - What will make Sandwell a more respectful community?	Ask your child what they have been learning about in Hinduism and the festival of Diwali
Music	Famous composers and exploring styles of music	Ask your child who their famous music artist is and explore various styles of music
Computing	Lego Coding Project Flat-File databases	Explore the app 'Scratch'
P.E	Outdoor - iPractise (resilience, persistence and personal best), Indoor – Swimming or pilates	Practice throwing, catching, balance and endurance skills.
French	Seasons and Food	Can your child remember the four seasons in French?
PSHEE	Families and Friendships Safe Relationships Respecting Ourselves and Others	Can your child name the five British values?

Online Learning – these sites are used at school or could be used at home to practise skills learnt this term

[ClassDojo](#) - used to access weekly homework.

[Numbots Game](#)

[Spelling Shed - The Science of Spelling](#)

[Discovery Education Espresso | Discovery Education UK](#)

[Times Tables Rock Stars \(trockstars.com\)](#)

[Primary games - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Topmarks Education: teaching resources, interactive resources, worksheets, homework, exam and revision help](#)

Important Dates for your Diary:

- Weds 25th Sept – Flu vaccinations
- Weds 9th Oct – School photographer all day (whole school individuals and siblings)
- Thurs 10th Oct – School photographer AM only (individuals and siblings)
- Mon 21st Oct – KS2 Black History Month assembly (pupils only)
- Fri 25th Oct – TRAINING DAY – school closed to pupils
- **WB 28.10.24 – Half Term Holiday**
- Children return back to school on Monday 4th November 2024
- Tues 12th Nov – Parents' Evening for Y2 & Y5
- WB Mon 2nd Dec – Assessment Week
- Thurs 12th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day
- Thurs 19th Dec 2:30pm – HT Special Assembly KS2 (invite only)
- Fri 20th Dec PM – Christmas Parties



Reminders

Year Five's P.E is on **Tuesday morning and Friday afternoon**. Please make sure pupils are wearing the correct P.E uniform on this day (no branded logos). Also, check that jumpers/cardigans, water bottles and lunchboxes are named so that we can return lost items to their owners! If the same rule could apply to swimming kits to avoid any missing items. Homework should be returned by Wednesday of each week.



Here are some of the apps and websites that we use in school and that your children are familiar with. We also encourage parents to use the Class Dojo parent login to access regular updates and information. Please let a teacher know if your child does not have a device that will allow them to access these apps for practise or homework.

Spelling
Shed



ClassDojo



NUMBOTS

