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# Autumn Term Newsletter Year 5

Autumn  
2023/24

## Year 3 Team

Welcome to the Year 5 team. Within our team, we have:



Mrs Issom  
Year Leader and Class  
Teacher



Miss Hurley  
Class Teacher



Ms Sellers  
Class Teacher



Miss Tipton  
Class Teacher/ SENCO



Mrs Taylor  
HLTA

## Welcome to Year 5

Welcome to Year 5! We are looking forward to a very exciting and busy Autumn term. In English, we will be looking at the book 'Farther' by Grahame Baker-Smith, focusing on a setting description and writing a letter. Later in the term, our key text for English will be the mysterious 'Hound of the Baskervilles', through which we will focus on formal report writing and cliff-hanger narrative.



Our Theme topic this term is Dynamic Dynasties. This project teaches children about periods of ancient Chinese history. We will explore a timeline of the first five Chinese dynasties and learn about the legends surrounding the beginning of Chinese civilisation, as well as look at how ancient China's lasting legacy can be seen in the world today.

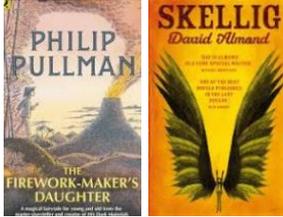


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In Maths, we will be learning to use four operations with 5- and 6-digit numbers. Later, we will also be learning about line graphs, timetables, area and perimeter.

In Science, we will be learning about Forces in Autumn 1 and Properties and Changes of Materials in Autumn 2. We are looking forward to conducting our scientific investigations.

In our whole class reading sessions, we will read 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Phillip Pullman and 'Skellig' by David Almond. The pupils will have daily opportunities to read in class using their own class copies of the books.



On Fridays, Year 5 will be having forest school sessions with Mr Seale. Your class teacher will inform you about when your child's sessions will take place.

## Planners

On Monday, the children will be issued with new planners. They are expected to bring their planner and reading book with them every day. If you have listened to your child read, please sign the planner on the correct date that your child has read.

## Homework

Spelling homework will be set every Tuesday for completion by the following Tuesday. Your child will bring home a spelling sheet and have an assignment on Spelling Shed. Please, encourage your child to practise on Spelling Shed regularly, as it is a fun and engaging way to learn spellings. Spellings to be learned will be also stuck into the planners. Your child will be tested on the spellings every Tuesday.

The children are expected to read daily, with planners completed five times per week.

The homework for other subjects will be set out online on Century and SeeSaw on Thursday and is expected to be completed by the following Thursday.

Times tables practice should be happening daily on TTRS and the year group will have recurring TTRS Battles between classes.

## Reading

### Reading is one of the priorities in Year 5!

Please encourage your child to read daily for at least 10-15 minutes and record it in their planner. The planners will then be checked and signed by their teacher the following morning. Regular reading will help children to become not only fluent readers but also confident speakers and writers. You can help your child by listening to them read and by discussing the book afterwards or during reading. You may wish to talk about the characters, setting or main events. The book children take home will be selected from the school's library and this will then be their only reading book.

## PE



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P.E will be on a Thursday afternoon and children are required to come to school in their P.E kit instead of the normal school uniform.

### Ways to contact us

You can speak to your class teacher at the end of the day when you collect your child. If it is an urgent matter that requires immediate attention, please call the school office.