

Year 5 Newsletter

Spring Term 2023

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a lovely Christmas break. We have many exciting things planned this term which we hope you are going to enjoy. The children all worked superbly in the Autumn term and we have no doubt they will continue with the same enthusiasm and hard-working attitude this term. Year 5 will be sharing an assembly with you which showcases their learning so far. This will be on **Wednesday 29th March at 9.00am** so please make a note of this.

Mr Simons and Miss Duffy

If you would like to discuss your child's progress at any time please contact the office to arrange a meeting.

English

This term we will be reading the story 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. We will be completing lots of exciting activities based on the text. We will also be recapping our grammar, punctuation and spelling rules as well as learning new ones.



Maths

We will be continuing to develop our Mental Maths skills, as well as completing work on factors and multiples, prime numbers, fractions and time. If your child cannot tell the time on an analogue clock, we ask that you support them with this at home as this will support their learning when applying these skills in class.

Spelling and Multiplication

Spellings are included in Friday's homework and are tested in class the following Friday. The children can also practise their spellings on Spellshed. Children have their logins for this inside their PAL. Children should be encouraged to learn all multiplications by heart and should be tested at home whenever possible.

P.E

Year 5 will have PE on **Monday and Thursday** this term. Children are to come to school in their PE kit on these days, wearing a white top and black shorts with trainers or pumps. In the winter months, children can wear tracksuit bottoms and a jumper. Children should still bring a coat to school when they have PE.



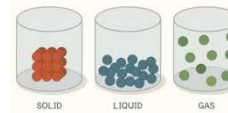
Reading Books

Reading as regularly as possible to an adult can really help your child progress. We would like to see your child read a **minimum of FOUR times** a week. Once they have read to an adult, the adult should sign their Pupil Activity Logs.

If you have any urgent messages or concerns, we ask that these are not written in your child's PAL and instead are discussed directly with a teacher.



Homework is set every Friday and should be returned by the following **Tuesday**. Please encourage your child to complete their homework to a high standard every week.



Science

In Science we will be exploring materials and their properties. Throughout this term, we will be looking at reversible and irreversible changes and dissolving and evaporating. We will be taking part in exciting experiments and exploring the role of forensic scientists to discover the importance of different changes to states and matter.

History

This half term Year 5 will be learning all about the Ancient Egyptians. We will be looking at the different cultures and pieces of History that help us to understand how the Ancient Egyptians lived. We will also be learning all about the Egyptian pyramids, the Egyptian Pharaohs and the role of archaeologists. On 8th March, we have an Egyptian workshop to develop our knowledge even further!

