



Year 5 Newsletter

A Note from the teachers

Welcome back Year 5! We hope you've had a lovely, restful half term.

Ms Reid and Mr Stephens are very excited for the learning that will take place this half term! We hope you are all ready to learn and expand your minds.



PE

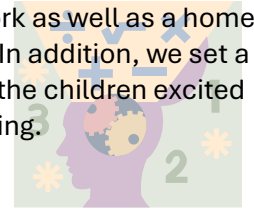
This term PE. will be on a **Monday**.

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit, which consists of a purple t-shirt, black tracksuit bottoms or leggings or shorts (weather permitted) and trainers or plimsolls. Kits are available in the office should you need to purchase any item(s).

Homework

Homework will be sent home on **Thursday** and is **due in on Tuesday**.

Children will be expected to complete Maths, English and Reading homework as well as a home reader to read with an adult. In addition, we set a project every half term to get the children excited about the topics we are learning.



This term in class we are learning about...

English (Beowulf): Students will engage in creative writing inspired by Beowulf, focusing on descriptive language and imaginative storytelling by re-imagining scenes or inventing new adventures.

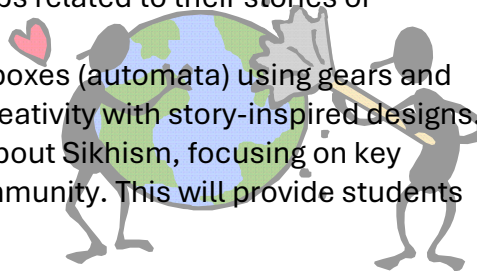
Reading (Who Let the Gods Out): Our reading comprehension work will explore character development, themes of friendship, and vocabulary enrichment through this adventure-filled story.

Science (Forces): We're investigating forces such as gravity, friction, and magnetism. Hands-on experiments will help students see how these forces operate in real-world contexts.

Geography (Maps): This term's topic is "Maps." Students will learn map skills, including directions, symbols, and types of maps, and create maps related to their stories or imaginary worlds.

Art (Automata): In art, students will create moving toy boxes (automata) using gears and levers, linking to our science theme and encouraging creativity with story-inspired designs.

RE (Sikhism): In Religious Education, we are learning about Sikhism, focusing on key beliefs, traditions, and values such as equality and community. This will provide students with insights into Sikh culture and spirituality.



Reading at home

Children will have Home Readers that we expect them to **read daily**. Children can change their books whenever needed as they are free readers.

The extra practice at home is vital in improving their reading skills. Children will have a reading record for you to write any comments in every time you read with them. These will be checked in school on a regular basis. Please encourage the children to write a book review on their favourite books.



Key Dates:

Tuesday 26th November and Thursday 28th November - Parents' Evening

Thursday 12th December - Christmas dinner and jumper day

Friday 13th December - Christmas Fayre (1pm-3pm)

Tuesday 17th December - KS2 Christmas carol concerts (9am & 1pm)

Thursday 19th December - Class parties PM

Friday 20th December – end of term

Spring Term starts on Monday 6th January 2025

