

Year 5 Autumn curriculum newsletter 2021



Reading	We will focus on comprehension skills in the autumn term with a particular push on inference and deduction skills in addition to using evidence from the text to support our explanations.
Writing	Our first unit will be poetry with a focus on similes followed by a 'beat the monster' narrative linked to an old tale. Our non-fiction writing will include journalistic writing based on dragons linking to our poetry/fiction work.
Spelling and handwriting	There will be a different spelling pattern to learn each week in addition to our statutory Y5/6 vocabulary. In our handwriting we will be refining our joined style ensuring our diagonal joins are correct and letters are well formed with a consistent size.
Grammar	We will revise learning from Y4 but mainly focus on different sentence structures including relative and subordinating clauses.
Maths	Place value and understanding of number will be the driving force for our maths this term. We will also look at inverse operations, charts and graphs in addition to multiplication and division recall and manipulation.
Science	Properties of materials will be our unit of work for the autumn term. We will learn about these materials through a range of investigations. This practical work will develop our scientific enquiry skills.
PSHE	Friendships and relationships will be at the forefront in the autumn term with lots of time to discuss and ask questions relating to emotions and managing feelings.
History/ Geography	We will be learning about both The Anglo Saxons and Vikings invasion and fight for rule over Britain. We will make comparisons between the two societies and decide who won the battle for Britain based on evidence acquired over the course of the term.
Art	This term's art focus is the manipulation and decoration of clay to create an Anglo-Saxon inspired brooch. They will be created with a member of society in mind based on research of their culture.
PE	This term we will be swimming with the aim of achieving our 25m award using a variety of strokes in addition to life saving skills and water safety.

Important information and notices



Dear Parents/Carers,

The summer has absolutely flown and we are now back to school starting the exciting new academic year ahead. I hope you had some fun and restful times with family and friends. As always, we have a busy term coming with new routines and expectations to get used to but I know your children will settle in quickly and enjoy the challenges Y5 has to offer! I look forward to getting to know you and your children over the coming term.

A few reminders:

Practising the weekly spelling using a variety of techniques and revising the spelling patterns will help not only to perform in the test but apply this to written work too.

Keep reading every night - if possible - it is vitally important. Read both your colour banded books and 'reading for pleasure' books from the library or home. Go onto Active Learn 'Bug Club' online to read colour banded books and complete tasks related to them. Once a book is complete, choose a VIPERS task to earn points for the Reading Passport!

Homework will be set every week: **Thursday-Thursday**. This will be set via Deepening Understanding Discover and Google Classroom. There will be no need to hand in a homework book each week as work will be marked online. If you require a paper copy of any tasks, please let me know in advance.

We will continue to use Google Classroom and class emails for lots of different things so make sure children are equipped to log on, find tasks and upload their work. It is important that children become proficient in using these tools in the ever changing world we find ourselves a part of!

It is essential that Y5 children know all of the multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12. Keep working hard on Times Table Rockstars, hit the button and any other sites that support quick recall of times table and division facts.

We are swimming through the autumn term so will need swimwear and towels each Tuesday.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me via email at class5@thorngrove.stockport.sch.uk and I will be able to respond accordingly.

Thank you for your support.
Miss C Brierley