Class 5

Autumn 2 2026 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new term. I am really excited about all the exciting learning that we have planned this half term. Thank you for all your support with your child's learning so far this year.

Reading: 

Home learning expectations are 'Read Every School Day'. Please support with reading to and with your child and write in their reading diary. Fluency Targets- By the end of Year 5 children should be reading 150 words per minute.



Attendance – 97% is our MINIMUM expectation

It is vital children attend on time and gates now open at 8.40am. We always learn our spellings at the start of the day and I can also help children individually with corrections from the previous day. Children must be on time so they *don't miss* this learning.

Maths Daily Learning:



Our focus in Maths;

- Know multiples and factors, as well as common factors.
- Know all prime numbers up to 100.
- Know square numbers and how to calculate them.
- Know the effects of multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000.
- Increase fluency in:
  Times table facts and related divisions
  Addition and subtraction using written methods
  Multiplying 3- and 4-digit numbers by a single digit

PE Days:

Swimming every Tuesday

Your child must come in their PE kit on **Thursdays.**

PE kit is:

Plain red t-shirt

NO BRANDED LOGOS

Remember to wear your school joggers.



No jewellery can be worn due to health and safety. Please remove earrings or ensure your child can.

If not, we have medical tape to cover them.

Curriculum

History

The Shang Dynasty – Ancient China.

Science - Earth & Space

Know the phases of the moon

Know how long it takes for the moon to orbit the Earth; the Earth to orbit the Sun

Art/D&T

Use of Colour – featured artist: Pablo Picasso

RE

Influential Leaders, Diwali and Christmas.

Computing

Making a Video

Spanish

How to describe the weather

PE

Swimming and ball games; shooting and scoring.

PSHE

Healthy realships and Anti-Bullying Week.

Knowledge – History – Ancient China – The Shang Dynasty

Key vocabulary- Ancient, dynasty, peasantry, hierarchy, civilisation, revolt, silkworm, oracle bones, divination, pyromancy and ancestors.

Key Learning - We will learn about how the Shang Dynasty came to be, how people loved in those times, what we know about them through artefacts and when and why the dynasty fell.