



Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5

Dear Parents,

I hope you all have had a happy and restful Christmas break. It has been lovely sharing and listening to many children's holiday experiences this week!

During the course of the spring term, Year 5 pupils will be focusing on enriching their mathematics & comprehension skills, revising a range of different writing genres and studying more interesting science topics.

Snapshot of the Year 5 curriculum:

English	Indigenous stories (Pocahontas) Advertisements (researching different brands of chocolates) Playscripts (The Piano by Andy Gibbons) Poetry (Rap and Stomp)
Maths	Roman numerals Identifying multiples and factors Negative and positive numbers, including the use of number lines Rules and sequences Area, perimeter and volume 2D and 3D shapes using shape nets Continuing to improve on arithmetic skills
Science	Forces using the different types of enquiry skills
Topic	History: Crime and Punishment Religious Education: Jainism and Buddhism Mandarin: researching Chinese culture and Chinese art & craft (designing and making lanterns) Physical Education: gymnastics, dance and invasion games

Please kindly ensure that your child has an up to date and labelled PE kit in school. Your child's class teacher will inform you regarding the exact day. Please encourage your child to bring in a water bottle to school which they can take home to clean and refill daily.

Please support your child's learning by ensuring homework tasks are completed within the given timeframe. If your child struggles to complete his/ her homework please liaise with the class teacher to receive additional support.

Please remember to sign your child's homework diary and reading record book so that you are fully aware of continued progress.

Home Learning:

Spellings	These will be given out every Friday and your child's spellings will be tested the following Friday
Mathematics	An array of different mathematical tasks will be set throughout the course of the term. Homework will be set every Wednesday and will be due back the following Monday
Topic including Science	Project-style homework will be set every 2-3 weeks; this will encourage pupils to build upon their research skills, as well as showcase their creativity
Reading	It is recommended that your child reads each day and we are grateful for your support with this.

Children will also have the opportunity to visit the school library during the course on the week; the timings will change on a rota basis.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to speak with me.

With best wishes,

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Assistant Headteacher