

Year 5 Newsletter Terms 5 & 6

Homework:

Spellings will be set on a Friday and due the following Friday when they will be tested.

We will also begin to set some longer tasks or projects this term that will link to subjects we are studying in class. These might be to design or create or draw something or to prepare a speech. This is to give our students the opportunity to manage their time and resources appropriately in readiness for the increase in expectations in Year 6.

Reading:

Reading, this year, has already seen some excellent success, with several children reaching over 100 reads, receiving a new book as a reward. Reading is very important as it helps children to succeed in all areas of the curriculum. In Year 5, we continue to expect children to be reading for 25 minutes everyday, and that their reading record is regularly signed by an adult.

If for any reason your child cannot complete their homework or reading expectations, please do not hesitate to come and speak to one of the Year 5 team.

What are we learning about?

English:

We have almost finished learning our latest non-fiction text on Persuasive Writing. Year 5 have made a fantastic effort with their writing thus far, persuading the reader to visit Jamaica and England using a range of writing skills.

Year 5 will then study a fiction book called The Kingdom Revealed, where we will look at formal and informal letter writing based on our learning from the text.

We will also cover other text types such as poetry, as well as focusing on grammar rules and reading several high quality texts during our Guided Reading and English lessons. There will be a period of revision at the end of the year to consolidate prior learning.

Maths:

In Maths, we will continue our number work this term, with a focus on decimals and negative numbers. Followed by more geometry with position and direction. We will complete our measurement units on converting units and measuring volume in Term 6.

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Topic/History:

Our history topic for this term is the Shang Dynasty. This will be followed by a Crime and Punishment through time unit in term 6.

PE:

In Terms 5 and 6, we will be gaining skills and confidence in cricket/rounders and athletics. Children should be wearing correct PE kit, suitable for the weather. In extreme cases of rain or heat, we will take our PE indoors.

Science:

We will be learning about reversible and irreversible changes, as well as the reproduction of plants and animals and plastic pollution.

PSHE:

In PSHE, we will be learning about the relationships we have with ourselves and other. We will also be learning

Contact the Year 5 team:

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