



# Year 5 Newsletter - Term 3 & 4

## Staff

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## Year 5 expectations

### Homework:

Children will receive a short piece of homework on a weekly basis. Homework will be set on Friday and will usually be due in the following Friday. Occasionally, a longer-term project will be set for children to complete over a few weeks. Homework will usually be maths or literacy based.

### Spelling

Spelling lists will be handed out weekly. Children should practice spellings at regular intervals throughout the week. They will be tested on a Friday.

### Reading:

This academic year has already seen some excellent success in reading, with several children reaching over 100 reads and getting to choose a new book from the book cabinet.

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 every day. Please ensure that reading records are signed by an adult regularly.

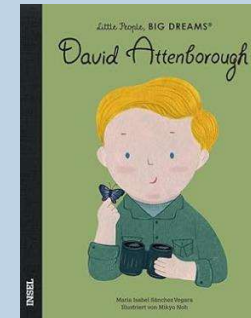
## Maths

This term we will be focusing on multiplication and division, including the use of formal written methods for long multiplication and short & efficient division strategies. After this, we will be re-visiting fractions which will lead into our learning on decimals and percentages. In Term 4, we will also cover area, perimeter and statistics.

## English

This term in English we are writing a biography about David Attenborough.

The children will also be focusing on advanced punctuation and a variety of literary devices.



If you have any questions or would like to arrange an in-person meeting, please get in contact with us using the email address:

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This term, children will be programming crumbles using a simple circuit connected to a laptop.

Next term we will be looking at databases.

## Science

We will be learning about properties of materials, animals including humans and life cycles across the next two terms.



## PE

In Term 3 we will be focusing on gymnastics. In Term 4 we will move on to tennis.

## RE

In Term 3, we will be looking at the key question 'How can following God bring freedom and justice?' We will study key events in Moses' life to help us answer this.

In Term 4, we will consider what Jesus did to save human beings. We will study Jesus' death and resurrection.

## Art and DT

In Term 3, children will be undertaking a DT project using gears and pulleys.

Following this, they will be making puppets in a DT week.

## Topic (Geography)

Our Geography learning this term is on the Alps.

After half term, we will be covering a unit that asks the question, Why do Oceans matter?