



Year 5

Autumn Newsletter



Welcome back everybody! I hope that you all enjoyed a wonderful summer and are ready for the Autumn Term. This year, Mr Thompson will be teaching Class 5, with Mr Brown taking the class on a Wednesday. We've had a great first two weeks back and I look forward to a wonderful year together. Should you ever have any questions or concerns, please come and see me after school or make an appointment at the school office.

Curriculum

This term in Year 5 our topic title is 'Our Changing World'. Within this topic we will be learning about Anglo-Saxons, biomes, properties of materials and making our own Anglo-Saxon drawstring bags. In art we will be looking at Claude Monet and Impressionism and in R.E. we will be learning about Beliefs in our Community.

In literacy, we are starting the year by writing a setting description and using the book 'Beowulf' to support us with this. In maths, we will focus our attention on the place value of numbers up to 1 million before moving onto look at negative numbers and rounding.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL CLOTHES AND WATER BOTTLES ARE LABELLED CLEARLY WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND CLASS.

P.E.

Our P.E. session will take place on a **Wednesday afternoon**. This will be our swimming session up until Easter. As outlined in the letter, we will often be slightly late back to school. Thank you for your patience in this matter.



Reading



Reading is vitally important and helps with all areas of your child's development. **We expect children to read with an adult three to four times a week and this is to be logged into their reading diaries.** Please ensure reading books are in school each day.

Diary Dates/Reminders

15th September – First Achiever's assembly of the year

21st September - Photos

16th and 18th October – Parents Evening

20th October – Gold Star assembly

Homework

We don't have any official homework but we do have learning websites for the children to use at home. Firstly, we have Reading Eggs, which is a great resource for practising reading, spelling and grammar skills. In addition to this, we have Times Table Rockstars which is a fantastic website to help improve our times table knowledge and rapid recall. If your child doesn't know their log in then please let me know and I will print a copy off for them again.

Your child should have brought home their 'Knowledge Organiser' for this term. On this you will find lots of important facts that we will be learning about in our lessons this term. We would encourage children to study these and learn the information on them as much as possible to support the work we are doing in class.

We are having a big push on learning our times tables this year. This half term, Class 5 are recapping our 2s, 4s and 8s. A newsletter will come home in the coming weeks outlining things we are doing in school and how you can help at home. Any opportunities to practice will be of great benefit.