

Y5 Spring Newsletter



Welcome

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to everyone! We hope you've all had a peaceful and restful holiday and your children are raring to get back into their learning.

Although it is a short term, we have many exciting opportunities for the Y5s Bikeability; Y5B have their upcoming class assembly and we have many exciting topics such as moving toys in DT, radio adverts in computing and sculpture in art.

Y5 Key Staff

Class	Teacher/s	Teaching assistants
Y5B	Mrs Bayles	Ms Burton Ms McLelland Mrs Ali Mrs Afzal
Y5WB	Mrs Beasley (Maternity Leave from Jan 22 nd) Mrs Winters: Mon -Thurs Mrs Conroy: Friday	Mrs Raheem Mrs Ali
Y5CT	Mrs Conroy: Mon-Tues Ms Taylor: Wed - Fri	Ms Francis Miss Vintin Mrs Maples

Spring Curriculum

Below is an outline of the topics Year 5 will be covering over the term. For further details, please visit our website under the 'our learning' section.

Spring 1

English	The Piano Performance Poetry
Whole Class Reading	The Magician's Nephew Oranges in No Man's Land
Maths	Multiplication and Division Fractions
Times tables focus	Mixed up to 12 x 12
Science	Forces
History or Geography (we rotate units termly)	Ancient Maya The Americas
Art or DT (we rotate units termly)	Moving Toys Sculpture
Computing	Radio Advert
Personal Development	Friendships
Online safety	In-app purchases and credit card safety
Music	Ancient Egyptian music
RE	Religious beliefs
PE – Games with Ms Powell	Basketball
PE – gymnastics or dance with teacher	Dance

Spring 2

English	
Whole Class Reading	Oranges in No Man's Land A range of non-fiction
Maths	Fractions, decimals and percentages
Times tables focus	Mixed up to 12 x 12
Science	Living things and their habitats
History or Geography (we rotate units termly)	The Americas
Art or DT (we rotate units termly)	Sculpture Sewing
Computing	Programming
Personal Development	Mental Health
Online safety	Game ratings
Music	Ancient Egyptian music
RE	Tolerance
PE – Games with Ms Powell	Basketball
PE – gymnastics or dance with teacher	Dance

Assessments this term: Y5 will be doing assessments w/c 26th February. This process will inform class teachers of any gaps, allowing us to plan relevant lessons and interventions.

Y5 Key dates

Date	Event
Thursday 25 th January	Y5B class assembly at 9:10
29 th January – 8 th February	Bikeability training
Thursday 8 th February	FODS Valentines Stall (during school time)
Friday 9 th February	School closed – inset day. Start of February half term holiday.
Monday 19 th February	School re-opens
Wednesday 21 st February	Young Voices concert at the arena
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day – Note that this week, there will be a book fair
19 th & 20 th March	Parents' evening
Thursday 28 th March	Break up for Easter (school closed Friday 29 th due to bank holiday)

Home Learning

Home learning will remain the same as last term. The details for the home learning each week will be published on the class story of Dojo. Each week, children will be set a spelling task plus English or Maths work from their CPG books. Year 5 homework should take no longer than 50 minutes a week (including practising spellings). We also ask that children read at home at least three times a week.

Reading records should also be returned to school every **Wednesday (Y5B, Y5WB) or Monday (Y5CT)** for teachers to check.

Spellings – every half term a spelling overview will be put onto Dojo class story. Every week your child will have up to ten spellings to learn that follow a certain spelling rule.

PPA

This year, the teaching team will have their planning, preparation and assessment time on alternative **Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.**

During this time, your child will be taught P.E, Music or R.E from our specialised PPA teachers.

Mrs Powell – P.E

Mrs Dawson – Music

Miss Cooper– R.E

P.E

Class	Day	PPA PE Days
Y5B	See class dojo – Mondays / Fridays	Tuesday and Thursday
Y5WB	See class dojo – Mondays / Fridays	
Y5CT	Mondays	

Your support and help

We love parent / carer helpers – when we need you for specific activities, we always update Class Dojo. At the moment we are looking for volunteers to help with 1:1 reading and DT/Art projects. If you are able to commit a small amount of time, please contact your child's class teacher.