

Dates to remember:

Date	Event
Tuesday 10 th September	Welcome to Year 5 information meeting (9am)
Thursday 12 th September	House Captain votes
Thursday 26 th September	European Day of Languages
Monday 14 th October	Y5 & Y6 Trip New Scientist Live
Week beginning 25 th November	Test week
Tuesday 22 nd October	Parents' Evening (Long)
Wednesday 23 rd October	Parents' Evening (Short)
Friday 25 th October	INSET Day
28 th October - 1 st November	Half Term
Week beginning 11 th November	TT Rockstars Round 1 in maths groups
18 th -22 nd November	Week 1 Swimming
25 th -29 th November	Week 2 Swimming
Monday 9 th December 1.45-2.45pm	Police Talk for parents Internet Safety
Monday 9 th December	Police Talk for children 'Internet Safety'
Friday 13 th December 9-10am	Police Parent Talk to Y5 & Y6 parents only
Friday 20 th December	Christmas holidays (2pm)
Monday 6 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	Children return
Thursday 16 th January	The British Museum trip

Don't forget to keep checking on our school Twitter page, for photographs of school activities and sporting events that take place this year.

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Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2024

Edition 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday and that the children are ready for the busy school year ahead.

The aim of this newsletter is to give you more detailed information about activities and events taking place in Year 5 this half term. If you have any questions, you can contact us through the Year 5 email address or preferably in person.

We really look forward to working with you and your children throughout this academic year.

The Year 5 team

We have been really enjoying getting to know our classes and are so impressed with their lovely manners and the effort already being demonstrated in all their lessons. Year 5 offers many challenges and lots to look forward to as the children start their progress through upper Key Stage 2.

This half term we enjoy learning about the Ancient Greeks, completing a journey through the ancient world begun by the children in Year 4. Our English focus is closely linked, and we know the classes will be enthused by the strange and surprising world of Greek mythology. In science, we start the year by studying life cycles in nature, alongside exciting opportunities to dissect flowers, fruits and bulbs. In maths, we will be following the White Rose schemes of work. More detailed information regarding our Autumn Term Curriculum can be found on our website.

Welcome to Year 5 information meeting

We held a Parent Meeting to share information about how we can all help support the children with their learning throughout Year 5. All children will receive the packs handed out during this meeting or after if you were unable to attend.

Spellings

This year, the children have been given spelling books where they need to record sentences for each of their spelling words for that week. An overview of all the spellings tested this year was included in the pack from the parent meeting. Please also use this QR code to find the statutory word list for Year 3&4 and Year 5& 6. These are words frequently used and often misspelled in pupils' writing. When we moderate the children's writing in Year 6, we check that these words especially, are spelt accurately.



Trips information 2024/25

We have already begun booking trips for this year. We are conscious of the cost of these trips and will endeavour to keep costs as low as possible, taking public transport where possible. This term, we will be having our swimming lessons at Highgrove. There will also be an opportunity for some pupils in Y5&Y6 to join together for a trip to New Scientist Live. We have booked a trip to The British Museum for January. Information about Bournemouth and swimming will be following soon.

Home learning timetable

We expect the children to complete the following homework each week. If they are ever stuck, they just need to ask their teachers for help.

Subject	
Spellings	All homework is handed out on a Friday and is due the following Friday. Homework will be set on paper and we will have spare copies if you need it. Spelling tests will also be on a Friday.
Grammar	
Maths	
Reading	Minimum of three times per week. Please ensure the children's Reading Records are signed and dated after they have read.

Equipment list

To ensure your children are ready to learn each day, please provide them with the following equipment. When equipment is missing, this can impact on the learning time we have in lessons.

A black pen	Glue stick
A green pen	Whiteboard pen
Pencil	Colouring pencils
Ruler	Protractor
Rubber	Pencil sharpener

Reading log

We expect the Year 5 children to read for a minimum of three times a week. Please can this be recorded and signed by a parent or carer in their reading logs. We will look at this and sign each week. Each teacher will let their classes know when this is due each week.

Timetables

Each class has been given their own class timetable. Please have a look to see what is happening each day. Please ensure your children's PE kit is in school every day.