



Y5 Newsletter

Autumn 1 2025



Welcome back to a brand new school year! We hope you all had a restful summer and are ready for the exciting term ahead. Year 5 is an important step in your child's learning journey, and we are looking forward to working with them as they grow in confidence, independence, and responsibility.

This autumn term will be filled with opportunities to explore new topics, develop key skills, and challenge ourselves in fun and engaging ways. In Year 5, the children will also have the opportunity to take on responsibilities beyond the classroom. They may wish to take on roles such as sports leaders and library monitors or to represent the school in sports competitions. This half term there will be football competitions for boys and girls - please note the dates at the end of the newsletter. No matter what their interests are, we are looking forward to seeing each child thrive in year 5!

We hope that this newsletter will inform you of our planned topics for the half term and we look forward to keeping you updated on our classroom learning using the Class Dojo. If you have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Porter & Mrs Almond

Our topic this half term is 'A Kingdom United'. Our learning focuses across the curriculum will be:

English - Legends (we are reading 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo and will use this to support us to write our own legend)

- Persuasion (we will write and perform a persuasive presentation)

Maths - Place value, Addition & subtraction

Science - Materials and their properties (conducting fair tests of everyday materials, reversible and irreversible changes)

History - Britain's Settlement by Anglo-Saxons and Scots - What changed after the Romans left?

Art - Typography and maps

Music - Ukulele (taught by the Lancashire Music Service)

Computing - Computer systems & Networks - Systems and Searching

R.E - How do Christians use the Bible?

French - The Date & phonics recap

PE - Invasion games - football

Please come and speak to us or send a message on the dojo if there is anything you would like to discuss regarding your child.

Mrs Porter & Mrs Almond

Teachers in Year 5

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday - Mrs Porter

Thursday & Friday - Mrs Almond

Mrs Forsyth covers Mrs Porter's non-contact time on a Tuesday afternoon.

PE

Our PE day is Wednesday this half term.

PE kits can be brought home to be washed, however please bring them back into school by Monday.

Please can we ask that anyone with pierced ears is able to remove them and put them back in independently.

Also, that long hair is tied up on PE days.

Worship

Each Friday one child will be chosen to be our 'Star of the Week' and one child will be invited to show their work in celebration. We keep a record of when each child is chosen to take part in this worship to ensure everybody's work is celebrated and valued equally.

Our whole school worship theme this half term is 'generosity'.

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Reading

Whenever your child reads please ensure the diary is dated and signed with any relevant comments. Now that the children are in Year 5, we are happy for them to fill in their own diary if they have read independently. However, please do still listen to your child read and discuss the books they are reading with them. Reading books can be changed on any day, your child just needs to put their book and diary in the tray in our classroom.

Homework

Homework is set on a Friday and due in the following Wednesday. There will be a mixture of work set on Purple Mash and sheets sent home. We will post the homework on Class Dojo each week.

Important Dates

Monday 15th September - Roald Dahl Day

Thursday 18th September - Choir rehearsals begin

Thursday 18th September - Year 5/6 Boys Football League

Thursday 25th September - Year 5/6 Boys Football League

Thursday 2nd October - Year 5/6 Boys Football League

Thursday 2nd October - Poetry Day - class recitals

Monday 6th October - Poetry Finals

Thursday 9th October - Year 5/6 Girls Football League

Friday 10th October - Whole school handball festival

Thursday 16th October - Year 5/6 Girls Football League

Thursday 23rd October - Year 5/6 Girls Football League

Friday 24th October - Finish for half term at 3:20pm