



Year 5 newsletter - Autumn term



Welcome to Year 5! We are so pleased to have the children back with us and have been incredibly impressed with how they have all returned to school, full of enthusiasm and raring to go!

In **English** and **Maths** this term, we will start by reviewing and building on knowledge from Year 4, with a key focus on developing our understanding of number and developing our use and understanding of vocabulary. We will focus on the four operations and extending our understanding of the strategies we use.

Reading continues to be a key focus in Year 5. Please encourage your child to read frequently at home and quiz on their books on Scholastic Reading Pro (links are available on the academy website). Merits are given for reading at home and books signed by adults.

Spellings are taught for 15 minutes every day in school. We do not send spellings home as homework.

Our routines!

PE

Monday
and Thurs-
day



All Year 5 children will have PE on a Monday and Wednesday afternoon. All children will need to come in PE on this day. Please ensure earrings are removed for PE lessons.

This term we are developing skills in Netball and Basketball

If you would like a more in-depth overview of what we will be learning this term, it can be found on the Academy website under curriculum.

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Wider curriculum

History - During Autumn term 1 we will learn about the Victorians. We will investigate how the Victorian period began and explore the monarch who ruled during this time.

Geography - This term we are learning more about maps. We will explore how a map is presented, how we read them (studying the compass points, grid references 4 and 6 points and symbols used) and extend our use of geographical language.

Science - In Autumn term 1, we will be developing our scientific understanding of plants and animals. During Autumn term 2, we will learn about Earth, Sun and Moon.

Art - We will be learning about surrealism focusing on the artist Salvador Dali. We will express opinions about work, developing our understanding of the colour wheel and create work inspired the surrealist artists.

DT - During Autumn term 1, we will be investigating levers, pulleys and gears. We will investigate, design, make and evaluate our structures.



Mobile phones - If your child walks to and from school without an adult and would like to bring their mobile phone to school, please provide a zip-lock bag for them to keep it in. They will be expected to keep it in their class teacher's desk during the day. It is expected that mobile phones are switched off as soon as your child enters the school grounds.

Please keep checking Class Dojo for updates on your child's learning and any key messages for the class. You can contact your child's class teacher through here too.