



Year 5 – Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back to school! We hope you have had a very enjoyable and restful break. We are excited for the coming year in Year 5 and hope you are too! The Autumn Term has got off to a great start, with the children showing enthusiasm for the new learning opportunities coming their way. We are very much looking forward to helping each child strive to achieve their best, whilst having some fun along the way too!

Expectations

As the children make the move into Upper Key Stage 2, there is an increase in expectations in Year 5. We encourage all children to take an active part in lessons, demonstrate pride in their work and complete tasks to the best of their ability, working both collaboratively and independently.

We ask children to be ready, respectful and safe at all times, acting as responsible role models for each other and for children in the younger years, while helping to create a positive learning environment.

Year 5 is an important year for developing confidence, both within the curriculum and in wider school life. We are confident that this class will rise to the challenges ahead and make the most of all the opportunities Year 5 has to offer!

Autumn Term Curriculum Overview:

Maths: - Place Value - Addition / subtraction - Multiplication / division - Fractions	English: - Recount - Fantasy - Procedural - Newspaper report - Poetry	RE: - Creation and Covenant - Prophecy and Promise	Science: - Living things and their habitats - Animals including humans	RSHE: - Under pressure - Self talk - Self Rules and Law - Relationships and respect
History: - The Anglo-Saxons	Geography: Changes in our Local Environment	Year 5	Forest School: - Exploring the outdoors	Music: - Developing a sense of pulse and rhythm
Art: - Typography and maps	DT: - Savoury Rolls	Spanish: - Numbers & Greetings - Basic conversations & Instructions - Colours	Computing: - Computing Systems & Networks - Creating Media	PE: - Dance - Disc sports

In Year 5, children will receive homework each week and are expected to complete it on time and, where possible, independently. Homework will be set on a Monday and is due in the following Monday. It will consist of the following:

Reading - All children have recently been re-assessed in line with the revised banding of our reading scheme. They should now have brought home a book that is appropriate for their reading ability and comprehension level. Children are expected to read at home a minimum of four times per week and should bring their reading record and book into school every day. Reading records should be signed by a parent or guardian once a week and brought into school on Monday morning to be checked and signed by a member of the school staff.

Writing - There will be no writing homework this year.

LBQ (English) / TTRS (Maths) - Every child should now have received a reminder of their login details for both of these websites. They can use these to access any homework set through the platforms. LBQ and TTRS homework will be set on a Monday and will be due the following Monday.

If, for any reason, a child has not completed their homework by Monday, they will be given an extension until Tuesday. If it is still not completed, they will have the opportunity to complete it with a member of school staff during morning break on Wednesday. If there are any difficulties accessing a device or the internet at home, please let us know as soon as possible so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Spellings - Each week, children will receive five words from the statutory spelling word list, which they should practise alongside the spelling rule of the week. Children will be tested on their recall of these words every Monday morning.

I am extremely excited about the year ahead and look forward to lots of learning and lots of adventures with the children. Please visit the Year 5 page on the school website to see what we are getting up to by reading our Class Blog which will be updated regularly. In the meantime, should you have any questions, comments or concerns about the forthcoming term, please do not hesitate to email me: fiona.kirrane@allsoulsschool.co.uk

Kind regards,

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