

YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME TO YEAR 5

Welcome back to the first term in Year 5! We hope that you have had a lovely summer and that your child is looking forward to the exciting times ahead in Year 5!

We have some fantastic topics planned for this year, which will definitely engage and motivate the children in their learning. This term, the children will learn all about the ancient Egyptians and their achievements in 'Walk Like an Egyptian'.

Throughout all that we will do over the course of the year, we will continue to embed our school qualities, helping the children to become self-sufficient, to show their originality, to show the correct attitude and to become more resilient. We are sure that they will SOAR through Year 5 and enjoy many successes along the way.

We of course appreciate that your child has been out of school for a considerable amount of time now and in light of this, we will be spending time every week building resilience and supporting their emotional well being. The staff in Year 5 will be working hard to fill any gaps in learning and to support your child to make excellent progress this term.

If you do have any concerns or would like to discuss anything, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher on Seesaw.



HOMEWORK

On a weekly basis, your child will receive a set of spellings which they will be required to practise and learn. Spellings will go home on Tuesday and there will be a test the following Monday.

There is a continued expectation that children will read regularly at home. Children will be able to take Accelerated Reader books from school and read them at home. Please try to listen to your child read at least once a week.

There will be a piece of homework set every Friday, which will be due in on the following Wednesday, which could be linked to any aspect of our learning. Due to the success of Seesaw during school closures, we will be setting homework on this platform from now on. If your child is unable to access Seesaw at home, we will provide a paper copy of the homework.

ENGLISH

We will be looking at a range of genres in our writing including chronological reports, instructions, letters and narratives with a key emphasis on including a range of sentence structures (including compound and complex sentences and relative clauses). This term, children will be introduced to the skill of using

The Ancient Egyptians!

Our first topic this year is 'Walk like an Egyptian' and we will be learning all about the lives of these fascinating people and their extraordinary civilisation.

The children will be learning about the rituals and practices of these devout people including the (rather gruesome) mummification of their dead and the spirits' treacherous journey into the afterlife. They will

MATHS

To begin this term, we will be looking at a lot of number work, key calculation methods and some areas of geometry. As always, we would be very appreciative of any extra practise that can be done at home to develop quick recall of the times table facts and other mental calculations. We will be having a weekly times table tournament where the children can try to beat their previous week's score. Later on

PE

Please can you ensure that your child brings in the correct outdoor PE kit next half term. All PE sessions will take place outside to begin with. If your child does not have the correct kit, they will be unable

SEESAW

We will be sharing our learning with you through your child's Seesaw account. You can also contact your child's class

