Diary Dates

Please note that these dates are subject to change.

Year 5 parent meeting

13th September at 08:30

Forest Schools

14th Sept-19th Oct

Year 5 Anglo Saxon day

19th September

European Day of Languages

28th September

Year 5 St Francis Mass

6th October 9:15 (Parents welcome)

Parents Consultations

17th/19th October 15:30 - 18:30

HALF TERM

23rd Oct - 5th Nov

Children return to school

6th November

Remembrance Liturgy

10th November 9:30 (Parents welcome)

Enterprise week

20th-24th November

Frost Fair

24th November 2-4pm

Year 5 Advent Celebration

5th December 18:00

<u>Christmas Jumper days and</u> carols round the tree

5J-19th December

5E-20th December

Christmas Holidays

22nd December – 3rd January

Spring term back to school

Thursday 4th January

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Welcome To Year 5!

Firstly, we would like to wish a very warm welcome to all of year 5 and to parents. The year 5 team is made up of Mr Jukes, Mrs Eccles, Mrs Allsop, Mrs Squire & Mrs Leung. As the children move to the upper key stage two, we aim to ensure that they will be working hard and challenging themselves to become excellent, enthusiastic and independent learners. We have got a brand-new, exciting term to look forward to, crammed with opportunities for the children to explore and embark on great adventures, discuss battle tactics, craft our weaponry and discover new lands, as our over-arching theme for this term is...



Myths and Legends

Using 'Anglo-Saxon Boy' and 'Beowulf 'as a starting point, the children will discover all about Anglo-Saxons and Vikings.



In **RE**, we will focus on three topics this term: **Ourselves**, **Life Choices** and **Hope**. The children will explore the scriptures in depth and opportunity will be provided for collective and individual work on what it means to be ourselves as created in God's image, the choices we make in our lives and waiting in the joyful hope for the coming of Jesus during Advent.

In **English**, we will be studying a range of text types linked to our Viking and Anglo Saxon theme including recount, descriptions, poetry and play scripts. The children will have a particular emphasis on sentence structure and using subordination and conjunctions. In addition to this we will follow the Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) programme for year 5.

In **Mathematics**, we will be developing written calculation strategies for subtraction, addition, division and multiplication, including understanding place value of larger digit numbers. We will also look at applying our knowledge of such strategies through engaging problem-solving tasks which will require the children to use reasoning skills to give their answer.

A knowledge of and an ability to recall multiplication and division facts quickly will give children a great advantage! The children can practise their multiplication and division facts using TTRockstars.

How you can help

Homework will be given out on Mondays and expected to be completed by the following Monday. Homework needs to be posted on SeeSaw.

Please ensure children complete their homework and practise spellings as these are called upon during our lessons.

It is important that your child is practising their times tables facts—please keep checking them regularly.

Children will be encouraged to read accelerated reader books (10 per half term), library books and other texts.

Please read with your child to instil a love of reading.

If your child's collection arrangements change please could you inform us by sending in a letter with your child or contacting the school office.

Through **Geography** and **History**, Children will be learning about Vikings and Anglo-Saxons. The children will learn all about where Vikings came from and where they invaded though many cross-curricular lessons. This will also tie in with our topic in Art, in which the children will be able to sketch and draw Viking warriors and long ships.

In **Science**, children will be investigating through a series of practical sessions on materials. The children will classify materials and test for properties including solubility and thermal conductivity.

Our theme continues in **Computing** where the

children will be taught about carrying out independent research using search engines, the importance of using reliable sources and copyright. Their knowledge and skills will then be used to create an informative poster.

In **Design and Technology**, the children will be building on their Year 4 Science topic 'Electricity' by using simple circuits and designing and making their own doodlers.

As part of **PSHE and RSE**, we will be looking at the changes that our bodies go through (both physical and emotional), positive body image and the importance of sleep.

Our outdoor **PE** lessons for the first half term will be led by Premier Sports, who will provide additional teaching on **invasion games**, such as football, dodgeball and capture the flag. There will also be the opportunity to learn outdoors in a six week forest school programme in Sharphill Wood.





Year five will also continue **French with Madame Wilks**, building up a vocabulary bank and essential conversation skills through singing and other interactive media. Pupils will have an opportunity to practice their pronunciation through speaking and listening activities. They will also begin learning German.