



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2026

Dear Parents & Carers

We are excited to welcome Year 5 back for the spring term! Please find below a summary of the main learning areas during this term, along with some general reminders.

Homework

Children will be set homework on a weekly basis. This includes:

- **Reading** – Children will be reading their Accelerated Reader (AR) book in school for 15 minutes each day, as well as continuing to read at home. They will also have a Reading Record, which can be used to note down their AR book or any other form of reading they enjoy, such as blogs, news articles, recipes, or poems. This allows teachers to see what the children are reading, discuss their choices with them, and celebrate their love of reading.
- **Maths.co.uk** – this is an online tool that the children will be using to complete selected questions. Each week, there will be a particular theme or focus for what they will be practising at home, helping them to consolidate their learning in class and build confidence in key areas.
- **Spelling shed** – this is an additional learning opportunity, and the spellings set will match the ones they are focusing on in class that week.

P.E.

P.E. for Year 5 will take place on Mondays; however, this may be subject to change, so please ensure that your child's P.E. kit is in school all week. The correct kit includes: a white t-shirt, navy or black football-style shorts (not cycling shorts), trainers, and a warm top and jogging trousers for colder weather. For safety reasons, children must not wear earrings during P.E. lessons; they should be able to remove them independently or wear plastic alternatives. Please also ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school every day.

We are looking forward to an exciting term ahead and thank you in advance for your support.

Miss McCrystal

Spring Term 2026 - Curriculum Units for Year 5



French

The unit we will be looking at is 'Clothes'



Computing

The children will be studying the unit:
Programming:
Microbit



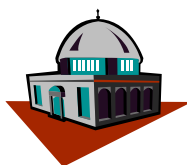
Science

Our Science units for this term are 'Earth and Space' and 'Properties of Materials'



History

The children will be studying the unit: 'How did the achievements of Ancient Maya influence their society and beyond?'



Religion and Worldviews

The children will be looking at the question: 'Why are some places in the world significant to believers?'



Music

The children will be looking at the unit: 'South and West Africa'



P.E.

The children will be learning about the different skills that are used in Gymnastics, Orienteering and Netball



Geography

The children will be looking at the unit: 'Why do oceans matter?'



PSHE

The PSHE units for the term are: 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me'



Design and Technology

Unit 1: Create a stuffed toy

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Unit 2: Gears and Pulleys