



## Year 5 and 6 Spring 1 2026 Newsletter

### What Has Happened This Term?

We have been very busy in Y5/6 this half term, from calculating with fractions, to writing biographies & adventure stories, to finding out about forces. We also loved having parent helpers in to assist with Design & Technology in making the cushions we designed; we suspect some of these might be Christmas gifts! Here are some pictures of some of the things we've been up to. In the new term, we welcome Mrs Wilderspin who will be teaching Owl class on Monday & Tuesday.



### Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term?



#### Maths-

Year 5: Multiplication & Division, Fractions

Year 6: Ratio, Algebra, Decimals



#### English-

Poetry text- free verse poetry on growth & aspiration

Discussion text- are video games good for children?

#### Science-

Properties and changes in materials

#### Computing-

Multimedia presentations

#### History

Ancient Greeks

#### Art & Design

Painting and Mixed Media Portraits

## **PE-**

Owl class will be swimming in the Spring term and Eagle class in the Summer term. Swimming will continue to be on a Wednesday afternoon throughout the year.

**Indoor- Eagle/Merlin class-** Health related exercise

**Outdoor- Eagle/Merlin class-** Basketball

## **Religion & Worldviews-**

Creation and science: conflicting or complementary?



Accept changes and negotiate alternative solutions when needed.

Talk about what matters to them and explain why they believe these things to be important.



## **PSHE- Dreams and Goals**

Links to British Value of Mutual Respect, Individual Liberty and Tolerance.

**French-** Healthy eating/going to the market

**Music-** Looping & Remixing

### **NUT ALLERGIES**

We have children in school who could have an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nuts or nut traces. Please only send your children to school with packed lunches that do not contain nuts or products containing nut traces. This includes Nutella and other chocolate spreads/products that contain nut traces or MAY contain nut traces.

Thank you

### **Important Dates**

5<sup>th</sup> January- INSET day

6<sup>th</sup> January- Return to school

9<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> February- Parents evenings

9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> February- Book fair in school

13<sup>th</sup> February- Break up for half term

### **Communication**

Check out our school website- lots of useful information can be found here, including more details about the curriculum and photos from the previous term.

Twitter- each class tweets at least twice a week, so it is a great way of keeping up to date with what is going on in class.

This newsletter- keep it somewhere safe and refer back to it!

Emails to our department are always welcome, and are checked as often as possible, however if your child is ill you

### **Bags and pencil cases**

Please do not send your child to school with a rucksack for their school equipment as there is not space on the pegs for these, unless they are bringing their swimming kit. A flat book bag should be used for reading books and any homework. Children do not require their own pencil case, as we will provide them with everything they need. They should not bring any stationary or toys from home in to school, including large key rings or fidget key rings. PE kits should be in drawstring bags as these are easiest to

must contact the school office as we cannot guarantee that emails we be read first thing in the morning. When emailing in please include the name of the class your child.

hang on pegs.

### **Reading & Homework**

Please hear your child read or talk to them about what they are reading daily and ensure they have their book in school every day, even fluent readers greatly benefit from reading to you as you can discuss new vocabulary and character development with them. We really do appreciate your support with promoting reading. Children will be receiving homework of Maths (set online via MyMaths) & spellings weekly.