



Year 5 and 6 Spring 2 2025 Newsletter

What Has Happened This Term?

We've had a very busy half term as usual! Lots of lovely learning has happened in Y5/6, from Shakespeare & mental health week to Bikeability!



coming dates: (Please refer to our whole school newsletter for any additional information or updated dates)

W/C: 24.2.25 - Return to school

28.2.25 - Valentine's Disco - 3:30pm-5:00pm

6.3.25 - World Book Day and themed dinner menu

13.3.25 - Class photographs

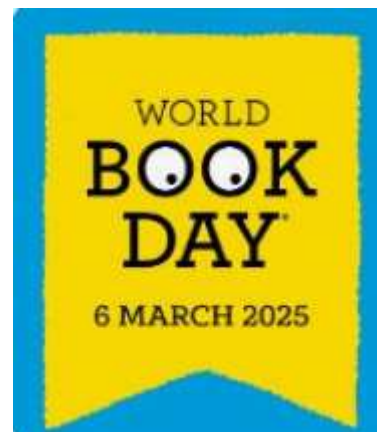
Isle of Wight parent's meeting will be in the next month or so, date to be confirmed soon.

[World Book Day - 6th March 2025](https://www.worldbookday.com)

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It's that time of year again and World Book Day is quickly creeping up on us! FACT: Reading for fun is the single biggest indicator that a child will grow up to enjoy a happier and more successful life. World Book Day advocates the belief that children are more likely to read if they enjoy it, so it is imperative to encourage them to see reading as an entertaining, social and fun thing to do. The positive impact of this, will be generations of children growing up with a life-long and life-changing habit of reading for fun, and all the benefits this brings.

The World Book Day website (link at the top), is full of helpful information, including a range of family activities if you wish to get involved at home. There are: Handy hints to create great, low-cost book character costumes, Information about how to use your book token (we will be handing these out to your child on the day!), Top tips for how to choose a children's book for your child, as well as some brilliant competitions your child can enter. In school, we are busy working with our children and school librarians to plan a memorable day for everyone. More information to follow soon!



Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term?



Year 5: Decimals & percentages; measure, perimeter & area and graphs; tables.

Year 6: Percentages; perimeter, area & volume; properties of shapes/geometry; algebra



English-

Newspaper texts

Character description texts

Science-

Evolution and inheritance

Computing-

Coding with Lego WeDo

Geography-

How has the town of Ilkeston changed over time and how may it develop in future?

Design & Technology

Mechanisms- Fairground rides modelling

PE-

Owl class will continue 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- Fitness
Outdoor- Eagle/Merlin class- Netball

Religion & Worldviews-

What difference does the resurrection make for Christians?



Building resilience & teamwork



PSHE- Healthy Me

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

French- This is me, The Fun of the Fair

Music- Composition to represent the festival of colour

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.

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 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.

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 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 either Maths (set online via MyMaths) or SPAG (either as a sheet or book) on alternate weeks.