



Autumn Term: Year 5 Newsletter



Dear parents/carers,

It was a real pleasure to welcome your children back to school this week and we are looking forward to teaching them this year. We have had a great few days getting to know them and they all made a fantastic start to the new school year. This week, the children have worked extremely hard by participating enthusiastically in learning, producing lovely work and adapting brilliantly to the expectations in Year 5. We are excited for the year ahead.

History and Geography

This term our topic focus will be Ancient Greece. We will be exploring the many stories, beliefs and significant characters from this historical period as well as finding out about everyday life in Ancient Greece and how this compares to the modern day.

Literacy

Our first class text this term will be 'The Bad Beginning' by Lemony Snicket, followed by a close look at some of the Greek Myths. These texts will give the children the opportunity to write in a range of genres, to use their imagination, explore interesting vocabulary and apply the different aspects of grammar from the Year 5 curriculum. More details of the weekly literacy work, as well as the weekly maths focus, will be shared with you by email each Monday.

Maths

In Maths, we will begin by exploring place value with numbers up to 1,000,000. This includes comparing numbers, rounding and Roman numerals. We will then move on to addition and subtraction, building on the skills the children learned in Year 4. After the half term, we will explore multiplication and division, including common factors, multiples and prime numbers. We will end the term by looking at fractions.

P.E

We have a fitness session on Monday morning, dance on Wednesday and P.E on Thursday. Please support your child in remembering their green T-shirt to change into as well as being dressed in suitable clothing and footwear that day.

Key Dates

We have a very exciting trip to watch the Lion King at the Lyceum Theatre on Wednesday 13th September. You should have already received a letter about this so please return the permission slip ASAP.

On the 16th November, we will be visiting the British Museum to support our understanding of Ancient Greece. We will look at some Greek artefacts and use technology to visualise what life would have been like during that period.

If you need to contact me regarding your child's education or wellbeing, please email me at connorbrown@wtwschool.co.uk.

Any urgent messages that need to be dealt with on the same day must be telephoned through to the school office as I may not access my emails during the school day.

Best wishes,

Connor, Nicola and Gino.