

# Year 5 News



Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome back after the half term break. Here is an overview of what your child will be working on up until Easter.

In **English**, we will be continuing to learn about older literature and in particular the books *Alice in Wonderland* and *The Secret Garden*. We will look at writing from another character's point of view and also how to improve our sentence structure and making them more complex. Then we will be focusing on stories from other cultures. World Book Day is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 and we will focus more on our book from English lessons, *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll. Children can come dressed as an adjective (describing word) as part of our vocabulary focus.

**Maths** lessons will first focus on fractions and in particular multiplying fractions and finding fractions of amounts. Then we will look at percentages and decimals and their fraction equivalents. We will then move onto area and perimeter of shape using formulas. Through these topics, we will be also problem solving and reasoning. It is also really important that your children know all of their times tables up to 12 and their decimal equivalents. Children can use their logins for TTRS to practice further at home.

Our **Science** lessons will focus on reproduction in plants and animals and life cycles. We will be investigating plants and how they disperse seeds, germinate and pollinate. We will also look at the life cycles of different animals.

Our **DT** project is called 'Sewing Bee' where we will be looking at making a product by designing and sewing. We will also link this to **Geography** and how our garments in shops are made. Our **Computing** lessons will look at flat file databases and how computers make these easier. **R.E.** lessons will focus on Christianity and What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving? In **PSHE** lessons, we will be using the Dimensions program. This will focus on ways to communicate as well as our own mental health and wellbeing.

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Our P.E. days continue to be **Monday** and **Thursday** and we will be focusing on badminton and yoga. We are asking that on PE days your child comes to school in their PE kits. They may also wear their school jumper/cardigan, which can then be removed for the PE lesson. Please ensure your child arrives in their correct P.E. kit and that they have removed any jewellery.

Home reading books can be changed daily. Please remember to sign and date each time your child reads at home. I would like to see reading books in school every day for opportunities to read in class and with an adult.

We are continuing our new approach to spellings so instead of the traditional spelling lists and tests on a Friday, we will be using the Read Write Inc Spelling scheme, where your child will bring home a spelling log book, which will include words to learn. This should be kept in their reading packet and come back to school each day for daily spelling work. Tests will then be administered at the end of each unit.

For homework, sheets of maths and grammar will be sent out once a week. Maths will be sent out Thursday to be in by Monday and grammar will sent out Monday to be in by Thursday. Project homework will be sent out in a book with activities to be completed and returned by **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026.**

Monday	Home reading books changed Maths homework to be in Grammar homework given out PE day
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Friday	Home reading books changed

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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