



Yr 5 Curriculum News Autumn 2025

We have been so impressed with how well the children have settled into the new school year; they have shown positive attitudes, excellent growth mindsets and we have seen so many of our school values on display. Below is a brief outline of what we have been getting up to so far, and what is to come in the second half of the Autumn Term. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your fantastic children.

Ashleigh, Manal and Lorenza.

English and Reading

In English, we have completed our analysis and creation of metaphorical poems based on Joseph Coelho's work. We are currently reading 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes where we have engaged in a few creative tasks. After the half term, we will be reading a range of literature including Macbeth and producing playscripts based on the story. Teaching of spelling and grammar will be integrated throughout our daily lessons.

PE: Year 5 PE is on Thursdays

In PE, we will be covering the following units of work:

- - Football and Tag Rugby
- - Netball, Basketball and ball manipulation

Your child must come to school in their PE kit. It should contain a **white t-shirt, black tracksuit bottoms/shorts** and a pair of trainers. As the weather changes, PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a **black sweatshirt**.

In addition to P.E, children will have swimming lessons every Tuesday. Please ensure their kit includes: a swimming costume, or shorts; underwear; a towel; and a swimming hat.

Homework

Children will choose a library book weekly which should be read at home over the course of a week. They will be asked to take a quiz on these books in class to assess their comprehension. Children also have access to online subscriptions where we encourage them to engage in to consolidate their learning.

Spellings will be set on Fridays on Spelling Frame, which the children should practice in preparation for their test the following Friday. Children will be set weekly Athletics tasks which they are required to complete. During half term holidays, children will be set a project based around their current learning.

Maths

In Maths, we have completed a block of work on number and place value as well as the four operations and we are just beginning a new block of work on fractions. Within our lessons, fluency, mental maths and reasoning is integrated throughout our lessons.

Geography and History

The topics we have covered/will be covering in Geography are:

- Earthquakes
- Deserts

The topics we have covered/will be covering in History are:

- Arabia and Early Islam

Science

In Science we have completed a unit on 'Electricity' and have just started a new unit on 'Properties and Changes of Materials'. Looking ahead, we plan to move on to the next unit 'Animals including Humans'.

Art and DT

In Art, we have been learning about architecture through various artists. In D&T, we will be looking at mechanisms in sling shot cars.

PSHE and Religious Education

In RE this term, we have learnt about the development of Christianity and will move on to our Ramadan unit after half term. We will continue to have weekly philosophy sessions around Growth Mindset, Resilience and the British Values: in particular democracy.

Music

In Music, we will be focusing on emotional and musical styles.

Computing

In Computing, we will be learning about how to keep safe on the Internet. We will also be learning how to create spreadsheets and use formulas on excel. We will also complete a unit of learning on

Spanish

In Spanish, they will be learning about what they enjoy doing along with recapping prior learning such as numbers, days of the week and months of the year.