

## P.E.

Games will usually be taught on a Tuesday afternoon but Games/PE kit should be in school every day. Earrings must either be removed for PE or tape provided to cover them up.

This term's activities will include developing skills in net and wall games such as tennis, creating bridges and practising attacking and defending during invasion games.



## Homework

Homework will be noted in the **Homework Diary** - please sign this each week. If you have any queries please note in the comments section.



- **Spellings** will be set each week on a Monday and tested the following Monday.
- Children should keep practicing all the **times tables**, unless otherwise instructed, to be tested on Mondays.
- A piece of **subject based homework** will be set each Friday. This will be due the following Wednesday.
- Please could you write a comment in the **reading record** once each week after reading with your child.

## Music



Early in the Autumn Term Year 5 will learn songs and hymns celebrating Harvest Festival. Our music lessons this term will be based around the classic Rock Song "Livin' on a Prayer". In the second half of the Autumn Term Year 5 will learn songs and carols related to the Christmas Story.

## R.E. & P.S.H.E

This term our core Christian values are 'Love' and 'Forgiveness'. We will explore these values in PSHE and Collective Worship alongside learning about our rights and responsibilities, the importance of democracy and celebrating our similarities and differences.



In RE, we will explore the miracles of Jesus, looking at the similarities and differences between them and what they tell us about the type of person Jesus was. After half-term, we will be looking at how music and art convey Christmas in England and across the world.

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Miss Patsalis, Miss Holland,  
Miss Moore (trainee teacher)

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Hewitt



**LSAs:** Ms Ramdeo-Collins, Mrs Groves,  
Mrs Redondo, Mrs Hewitt



# Year 5 Autumn Newsletter

Welcome back to the Autumn term! We are looking forward to getting to know each other and have some exciting learning ahead.

### Dates for your diary:

- 11th September—Information meeting for parents
- 19th September—Harvest Service
- 27th September—London Zoo trip
- 4th October—5H class assembly
- 30th October—INSET day
- 22nd November—5HP class assembly
- 14th & 15th November—Parents Evening
- 11th December—Christingle

### Half Term:

Monday 23rd — Friday 27th October

### Christmas Holiday:

Thursday 21st December—Friday 5th  
January

*Information regarding trips and other events will be emailed home via parentmail.*

## English

This half term we will be using the book 'The Jungle Book' by Rudyard Kipling to base our English learning on. We will use the text to learn more about the Rainforest and will use this information to write our own diary entry, character description and eventually persuasive letter.

Spellings will be linked to the books we are reading.



## Science

In science we will be studying 'Forces and Mechanisms'.

Children will explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. They will identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces. Children will also recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

## Computing

In computing we will be looking at creating vector images using a drawing program to create pictures made up of layers and groups of objects.

After half term we will be studying how computer systems and networks share information.



## Maths

Throughout the term the children will be developing their understanding of the following key skills and concepts:

- Number & Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Statistics
- Decimals
- Multiplication and Division

There will be daily fluency practice to consolidate and review the skills learnt.

Arithmetic and times tables skills will be tested weekly.



## Topic

This half term, in geography, we will be finding out about tropical rainforests, the animals and people that inhabit them, their environmental importance and the threats they face.



In our history topic next half term we will be investigating the changing power of the monarchy using case studies of key monarchs. We will also look at the

Magna Carta as a key turning point in British History.

## Art and Design & Technology

In art this term, we will be creating portraits using mixed media and collages.

After half term, our D&T topic will be looking into the processes from farm to fork, what makes a healthy meal and creating our own healthy recipe.

