

Year 5 Newsletter Autumn 1.

Welcome back after the summer holidays. We hope everyone is well rested and ready for a brand new year. If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to either of us in the playground at the start or end of the day. Alternatively once your child has their new school planner, you can write a note in your child's planner.

Mr Watkins (Maple Class) and Mr Broadbent (Oak Class).

LITERACY

Year 5 will spend our first week together looking at poetry. The classes will be reading a fantastic poem called, "The Door" by Miroslav Holub. Children also have a go at writing their very own poems using their imagination, what they have learnt together about poetry and calling upon what they know about descriptive writing from last year.

Inspired by the book, "Running wild" by Michael Morpurgo children will plan and write formal letters. They will also develop our debating skills whilst discussing issues around rivers such as pollution.

Remember, you can help your child with their learning by discussing what they have studied each day. Encourage them to read every night, listening to them whenever possible. You can further support your child with their learning by helping and reminding them to learn their weekly spellings. These lists will be sent out starting week 2 and they will be sent out with their homework each week. The children will have a weekly spelling test on every Friday.

Key Vocabulary:

Formal Letter: A letter written using formal language often for a specific purpose.

Dilemma: an argument forcing an opponent to choose between two options.

Mathematics

Throughout year 5 the children are going to be working on a number of objectives linked to the following strands:

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division
- Fractions and decimals
- Measurement
- Geometry (Shape and space)
- Statistics (data handling)

For this first half term, Year 5 will be focusing on Number and place value and the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). We will be looking at ordering and comparing increasingly large numbers, up to 1,000,000.

You can help your child succeed in maths and increase their confidence by practising their timestables and related division facts with them every day as these are fundamental to any area of maths.

Key Vocabulary

Digit	sum	total	addition
	Rounding	negative	positive
Estimate	subtraction	place value	

SCIENCE

In Science this half term, Year 5 are going to be building on their knowledge of animals and the human body, as well as what happens when humans age. We are also going to explore the water cycle and become experts on rivers.

Key Vocabulary

Source, Mouth, Estuary,
Meander, Tributaries, Delta,
confluence.





Other Curriculum Areas

PE - For the first half term, Year 5 will be developing their communication, coordination, teamwork and social skills through varied physical team games. We are also starting a new activity called, "the daily mile" which each class will be doing twice a week.

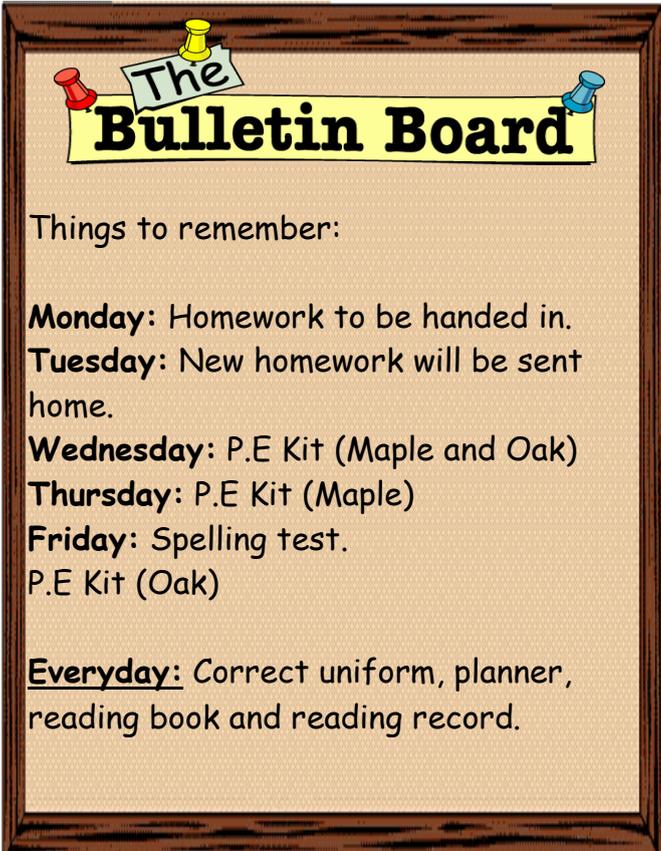
RE- We will be continuing to learn about the different religions and where they are centred in the world.

PSHE- We will be focusing on the four core values of the Academy and what they mean to us. These are Honesty, Empathy, Respect and Responsibility.

Geography- We will be focusing on our topic, rivers. We will also develop our map skills by locating and identifying different rivers on a map. The children will also explore how rivers are formed and the different climates they are found in.

Music- Year 5 will continue learning different songs during the singing assembly every week as well as using CHARANGA.

D&T - Year 4 will design and build 3D models of rivers using a range of materials.



The Bulletin Board

Things to remember:

Monday: Homework to be handed in.
Tuesday: New homework will be sent home.
Wednesday: P.E Kit (Maple and Oak)
Thursday: P.E Kit (Maple)
Friday: Spelling test.
 P.E Kit (Oak)

Everyday: Correct uniform, planner, reading book and reading record.



IMPORTANT DATES

At this point in time, we have no events or dates in the calendar.

If this changes, you will be informed via letter.

Maths - <http://uk.mathletics.com/>

<https://ttrockstars.com/login>

English - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>

E-Safety - https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/

Topic - <https://www.ducksters.com/geography/worldrivers.php>

