



Year 5

Autumn Term

Newsletter

Welcome Back

We are excited to be back at school and have enjoyed getting to know our new classes. Children have settled well as 'Year 5' and have really impressed us with their hard work. It has been such a positive start to the year, and we are sure this will continue as the year progresses. We have an exciting term ahead of us with events such as our Year 5 Trip to Birmingham and the start of our Swimming sessions.

For this academic year, children will be staying in classes for the teaching of reading and writing. Within Maths, we are introducing flexible grouping so that the children can be grouped in order to target their specific needs.

Dojos



Our main method of communication with parents will be via Dojo through our year group page. Please ensure you check for messages and updates on a regular basis. If you have any questions, then you can send a message to your child's teacher and we will endeavour to reply as soon as possible.

Accelerated Reader

All children should now have brought a reading book and a diary home with them. Can these please be brought back to school every day. Children will be quizzing on their books using Accelerated Reader and working hard to gain points for their class. It is important for children to be reading regularly to build their reading stamina this year. As well as daily reading sessions in school, can we please request that your child reads at least 3 times a week at home.



Industrial Staffordshire

Our Autumn term topic is based around 'Industrial Staffordshire' Through this topic, we will explore the Industrial Revolution and the key changes and developments in our area. We will explore the pottery industry and the global impact that this had focusing on Josiah Wedgwood as a significant figure. Our Geography focus will look at land use around Stafford and how this continues to change over time.

Spellings

Every week, your child will be given new spellings to learn and explore. They have time in school to investigate these spellings and to identify the trickiest part within each word. Throughout the week, the children will continuously explore these spellings through a range of activities. A progress check will be administered at the end of the week (Friday). We actively encourage children to practice at home so their confidence grows throughout the year.

Homework

Homework will be sent out on a Friday and needs to be returned on the following Wednesday.

Trips

We are really looking forward to our Birmingham trip where we will get to experience the Victorian 'Back to Backs' housing and way of life for people living at that time, as well as the amazing ThinkTank science museum. It will be a busy day but sure to be a valuable and memorable learning experience.

P.E

Every Wednesday, we will take our pupils swimming. Please can children come to school dressed in PE kits on this day and wearing no jewellery.

PE this year will be on a Tuesday and this will run on a 3 weekly cycle for the Autumn Term—dojo reminders for each class will be sent on a weekly basis.

