

Welcome to Year 5. We look forward to working with you and your child from September.

The Year 5 teaching staff for September are:



PE

In Year 5 we have two PE sessions per week. On Thursday, the children will have their indoor PE lesson. Please ensure they are dressed in shorts and a t-shirt. On Tuesday, the children will have their outdoor PE lesson. On this day, please send your child to school wearing their outdoor PE kit which is appropriate depending on the weather.



All long hair must be tied up for PE and no earrings are allowed.

Topic

We have lots of things to discover in Year 5; we will be learning about life in Ancient Egypt, the voyages of the Vicious Vikings, and life and culture in Africa and Britain. Additionally, we will study a range of interesting inventors and become eco-warriors.

School Trips

This year we will be visiting Colchester Zoo as part of our studies into animals and their habitats. We are looking forward to three exciting themed days throughout the year too - Egyptian day, Viking Day and Inventors Day!

Spelling Shed and Maths Shed

Each child will have their own login for Spelling, Maths Shed and Times Table Rock Stars. We use these programmes in school and the children are also able to access them at home. This supports the children with their weekly spellings and the children's times table knowledge.



Homework

In Year 5 we expect every child to read at least five times a week at home. This can be done by reading a range of genres.

Every child is given 10 weekly spellings to learn at home. This can be done on Spelling Shed or in Home Spelling books. New spellings are given out on a Friday and a spelling test is completed the following Friday.

The children will also receive maths homework set as 2Do on Purple Mash. This will be set on a Friday and will be due on the following Thursday.

Break time

In Year 5 we use the playground and have our break time at the same time as Year 4 and 6 children. Please send your child to school with a healthy snack.

Lunchtime

At lunchtime if your child is having school dinners, they will eat in the main hall alongside the children having packed lunches. Please remember to pack nut-free lunches.

Wellbeing

In Year 5, and throughout the school, we value the children's wellbeing and the importance of understanding others and ourselves. We have weekly PSHE lessons during which we cover the importance of respect, equality, dealing with confrontation and healthy relationships. We also discuss news topics and improve our understanding of the world.

Growth Mindset

We continue to model and demonstrate Growth Mindset in Year 5; positive attitudes to learning are essential when editing work, responding to feedback and growing into discerning, independent learners who can evaluate and improve their work.



Year 5 Highlights

To participate in
the Eggcellent
Eggstravaganza!

Learning a new
musical
instrument

Opportunities to
represent the
school in sporting
events