



Year Five Newsletter

September, 2024



Welcome

Hello everyone! A huge welcome from the Year 5 team to the Autumn Term! We hope you all had an amazing summer and this newsletter finds you all well.



Website Reminder

Our website will be continually updated with useful and helpful information regarding dates and activities. To access this information, including pictures and videos of the children learning, make sure you visit the class pages on the academy website regularly. Find us at:

www.oldcleeprimaryacademy.co.uk then click the 'Children' tab, followed by 'Year Group' and Year 5.

Social Media Reminder

We are regularly updating our school media account, so please follow us on Facebook (@Old Clee Primary Academy) to see what the children have been up to! Please also send pictures of children's personal achievements in and we will endeavour to post these on our page too.



Curriculum

During Autumn in Maths, Year 5 will be focusing on place value, decimals, basic operations, money, negative numbers and short multiplication and division. In English, the children will be given many opportunities to engage in reading: in our 'Bug Club' sessions, library sessions, in class ERIC time and 1:1 with their class teacher. In addition, the children will be reading regular class books too. Our writing will be learning and applying appropriate skills that cover the genres of narrative, non-fiction and poetry. In addition to this, we are looking forward to covering a broad range of curriculum areas. In Science, the children will be describing differences in lifecycles and changes as humans develop as part of Biology; investigating materials based upon their properties in Chemistry; and understanding the Earth's movements in space as well as forces in Physics. Through our history lessons, we will be learning lots more about the Mayans (as well as really interesting local history!). South America, The Water Cycle and Biomes will be the foci in our Geography lessons and we will be studying Andy Warhol's Pop Art in our Art and Design lessons. In Design Technology, we will be designing, making and improving a cushion.



Homework, Spelling, Times tables and KIRFS

Each week, your child will be given a spelling list to learn. Please support your child and help them to learn these words so that they can use them in their writing. Every two weeks, your child will also be given and expected to learn a set of Maths KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts) which they will be tested on each fortnight (on Fridays).

We will also continue to develop children's times tables knowledge through fun

Rockstars challenges. Times tables knowledge and recall is vital as it assists all areas of maths. Times tables will be given out each week on a Friday and tested the following Tuesday. Spellings will be given out on a Friday and tested the following Friday. Thank you for your continued support with this - we know how busy home life can be!



P.E.

As part of our commitment to create the foundations for active healthy lifestyles and to inspire the next generation of British athletes, this September we will be increasing the amount of P.E time your child/ren will receive weekly. This will require your child (in KS2) to attend school twice a week in their P.E kit.

P.E. for all Year 5 classes will take place every Wednesday for all classes (5CB, 5CJ and 5RT). Additional PE will take place on a Tuesday.

Jewellery will also need to be removed prior to the P.E. session. For health and safety reasons, this cannot be done by a member of staff or another child in the class, so please manage this at home.



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday: All Year 5 classes PE session.

Additional PE on a Tuesday

Every Friday: Spellings and KIRFs given out. (KIRFs every fortnight)

Here's to a fantastic Autumn term! Warmest Regards, **The Year Five Teaching Team**