



Blackbrook School

Aspiration Fairness Kindness Responsibility Teamwork

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Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 1 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Year 5.

We are now settling into the new term and the children have adapted well to new routines, roles and responsibilities. It has been a delight to see all the children together and they have faced every task with determination and enthusiasm.

This half term our topic will be: 'Space'.

At the end of the unit we will be visiting West Monkton to experience 'The Dome' – which will be very exciting. This is currently booked for **Thursday 24th October**. A letter will follow with further details.

We would like to let you know about our routines and expectations in Year 5.

READING

Reading is paramount, even for those children who read independently, and we encourage you to sign their reading record. These will be collected on a Friday and those children who are reading frequently – 4 nights out of 7 – will be entered into a class prize draw each half term.

Your child will be coming home with a number of books: a library book – which they can change during morning registration and one from our scheme.

HOMEWORK: In Year 5, we encourage the children to try and play 'Hit The Button' as this embeds the foundational skills and to read regularly.

Alongside this, the children will be set weekly tasks for which they have a folder for in school and will bring home on Friday.

P.E: P.E kits should be worn to school on the day of our P.E session which will be Tuesday for this term. Please keep an eye on the forecast so they are wearing suitable outdoor kit if necessary. Our reason for this is we no longer have the space for children to change separately for P.E.

Swimming will begin on **Monday 16th September** through to 9th December. Please make sure that your child has a suitable costume and towel in a separate bag. They always need a coat as the weather can be changeable.

A reminder regarding jewellery – no earrings should be worn in P.E or swimming sessions to ensure safety, so could we ask that they are not worn on those days please to prevent loss or damage.

All children need to have a pair of wellies in school so that they can access the field at every opportunity as soon as possible.

Any questions or problems, feel free to Dojo or chat on the door.

Best Wishes

Mrs Wells, Mr Hancock, Mrs Ingham, Mrs Collins and Mrs Sillett.

Year 5 team

Communication, Language & Literacy	Mathematics	Science & Technology
<p>We are reading The Jamie Drake Equation. From this we will be writing a non-chronological report on a planet. Followed by a diary. For each unit we will study the features and complete a range of activities to guide us with our writing.</p>	<p>We will continue to follow the NCETM Curriculum prioritisation programme for Year 5 this year. Our first units will be: Decimal Fractions and Money</p>	<p>This domain is our lead this half term and we are studying Earth and Space. In the technology aspect we will be exploring Moving Toys.</p>
Faith & Belief	Physical Development: P.E	P.S.H.E
<p>Our unit of Faith and Belief will be a focus on Judaism.</p>	<p>This half term our focus will be Football. Mr Williams will be leading this.</p>	<p>In Year 5 we follow the Jigsaw scheme and the unit is called 'Being Me'</p>
Art & Creativity		
<p>Linking to our theme of Space the children will be studying Vincent Van Gogh – Starry Night where they will be learning to blend, explore properties of visual elements to produce their own 'Planet Night'.</p>		
Place and Time		
<p>Would you like to live in the desert? Will be our geography unit for this half term. This looks at deserts around the world, their physical characteristics and uses.</p>		