



Year 5 Newsletter - February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the second half of our Spring Term!

A brief overview of our curriculum for this half term:

English – Children will complete grammar lessons on how to use embedded relative clauses for relative pronouns: who, which and where. After this we will start a new topic, reading and discussing the book: *The Dam* by David Almond.

History – Progressing directly on from our learning about the beginning of the Viking age in Britain, we will learn about Norse culture. As part of this topic, we will learn about the saga of Erik the Red, and the Norse beliefs about the gods.

Geography - Our next topic is 'North and South America'. We will explore the physical geography of these two continents, learn about the concept of population density, and we will particularly focus on the diverse experiences of people living in Brazil.

Science - We will learn about 'Living Things & Their Habitats' this half term. Our focus areas will include: the development of mammals, metamorphosis, and why there is variation amongst living things.

Maths - Please see the weekly overview for your child's groups learning. For most children, they will learn about decimals, percentages, perimeter, area and statistics.

Religions and worldviews - We will continue with our topic about making moral choices. We will continue to discuss morality and moral dilemmas, as well as explore where and whom people look to for moral guidance.

Reading - We will continue with a mixture of whole class reading lessons and small group guided reading sessions.

Music - Our next music focus for the rest of the half term will be: 'Make You Feel My Love', by Adele.

Computing – After completing their music programming unit, using Scratch, the children will move on to a data handling unit, with a focus on learning about the Mars Rover.

PE – On their PE days, it is essential that children come to school in appropriate clothing and footwear. Shoulder length hair and longer must also be tied back. Children will have to miss their PE lesson if they are not wearing appropriate clothing. Children will continue learning about gymnastics and flight, before moving onto a dance unit.

Latin – Children will continue to learn about present tense verbs and how the pronoun for the verb changes the verb ending.

Bikeability - If your child is enrolled on the course, they will complete it on the following dates:

23rd – 27th February: 5P and 5R

2nd – 6th March: 5B and 5O

Children in **5P and 5R** who are taking part in the course and have stated that they will bring their own bike must bring their bike to school on **Monday 23rd February**. Children in 5O and 5B who are taking part in the course and have stated that they will bring their own bike must bring their bike to school on **Monday 2nd March**.

Dates for your diary

Science Museum trip 5P and 5R – **Monday 2nd March**

Science Museum trip 5O and 5B – **Monday 16th March**

World Book Day - **Thursday 5th March**

Author Visit, MC Grammar – **Tuesday 10th March**

INSET day (school closed for all children) - **Friday 13th March**

Year 5 Inter Colour Sports Competition – **Thursday 19th March**

Visit the Classroom – **Friday 20th March**

Parent meetings - **Tuesday 24th March** and **Wednesday 25th March** – this term parent meetings will be taking place between 4-6pm online on SchoolCloud. More details on this to follow.

We look forward to another exciting half term!

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 Team