

Our Year 5 Team

We have a fantastic staff committed to doing all they can to support your children:

Year 5 Teachers:

Mrs Davies, Mr Palmer, Mr Oliver

Phase Teaching Assistants:

Mrs Makarac, Mrs Coughlan and Miss Gadsden

Uniform Policy Reminders

Key uniform expectations in UKS2:

- Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back
- No dyed hair
- Stud earrings only please
- No necklaces, bracelets or other jewellery to be worn
- Plain black school shoes only please
- No temporary tattoos or nail varnish
- Please also ensure children's jumpers and coats are named.

PE Kit Policy:

- Pupils should wear their PE kit to school on their timetabled PE lesson days please.
- Britannia PE top, plain black shorts or jogging bottoms and a plain black fleece or hoodie.
- Trainers

Autumn 1 PE Days:

- 5D Monday and Friday
- 5O Monday and Tuesday
- 5P Monday and Wednesday

Please can we ask that, if your child has packed lunch, you ensure that the bag they use is lunchbox sized, as we have very limited space.

Please keep an eye on your emails for details of exciting changes to our swimming lesson arrangements this year! Lessons will take place in October.



Hilltop Parents' Meeting

The Hilltop parent meeting is on Tuesday 22nd September at 6pm in the school hall.

Year 5 Newsletter - Autumn 2026

Dear Year 5 Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new academic year! It has been wonderful to see how well the children have settled into their new classes; they have returned to school with enthusiasm and a positive attitude, and I look forward to seeing them embracing the opportunities and challenges of Year 5. We have been recapping our school's 4Rs, and it has been fantastic to see them already demonstrating these values in their learning, relationships and behaviour around the school.

Year 5 is an important and exciting stage as pupils transition into Upper Key Stage 2, and I look forward to visiting classes and getting to know our new Year 5 pupils over the coming weeks. There are many opportunities for children throughout the year, including the Hilltop residential, Bikeability, a visit to Duxford, roles in the Christmas production, swimming lessons, and participation in a range of sporting events and teams, to name just a few.

I hope your child enjoys all that Year 5 has to offer and has a happy, successful and rewarding first term.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself. We will be very happy to help.

Mrs H Jordan (UKS2 Phase Leader and Assistant Principal)

Key Dates to Remember This Term

Wednesday 9th September – Parent phone calls for essential information only

Wednesday 14th and Thursday 22nd October – Parent consultations

Monday 5th – Friday 23rd October – Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Week of Monday 26th October – Half Term

Thursday 5th November – Individual/sibling photographs

Monday 9th – Wednesday 11th November – Hilltop Residential Trip

Friday 27th November – PD Day

Thursday 3rd December – Christmas dinner

Thursday 10th and Friday 11th December – UKS2 Christmas productions

Friday 18th December – Last day of term

Class Exhibition Dates (9am in the school hall)

Please note that these have changed from the original dates sent out

Friday 16th April – 5D

Friday 23rd April – 5O

Friday 30th April – 5P

Our Learning This Term:

History

Ancient Greece

Geography

Alaska – a comparison with the UK

Art

Modroc sculpture and
Landscape mono-printing on fabric

DT

Textiles – designing and making pillows

PE and Games

Indoor Athletics/Swimming

Handball/Netball/Hockey

RSHE

General Wellbeing,

Families and people who take care of me

Science

Properties of Materials

RE

BIG Question: Where do people look for answers to life and living?

Learning at Home

Homework

Year 5 homework will be set weekly. Please see the separate upcoming homework email for information about **Atom Learning** and homework clubs.

Additional Online Resources

In Year 5, children still have access to a range of valuable online resources that they can use at home, such as **Spelling Shed**, **Times Table Rock Stars** and **Boom Reader** and we would encourage reading at home at least three times per week. 10 signatures on your child's Boom Reader account = 1 merit!

Thank you for your support with your child's learning at home!

