

Dear Parents/Carers,
Welcome to our Spring term newsletter where you will find out all about what we are learning this term. At home, please ensure that children are reading everyday and this is recorded in their diaries. Each child should have their login details for Mathletics and Spelling Shed which should be accessed at least 3 times a week.

PD

In our personal development lessons, we will be developing our knowledge of living in the wider community. We will be discussing how and why laws are made, what anti-social behaviour is and why we have to pay tax.

Geography/History

In our geography lessons we are thinking about climate change and studying its effect around the world including changing weather and rising sea levels.
For history, we will be learning all about the Ancient Greeks looking at the civilisation and discovering the gods and heroes from this era.

Art/DT

In our art lessons, we will be looking at portraits and self-portraits based on the artist Chila Kumari Singh Burman. We will be creating a self-portrait using different techniques and materials.
In DT we will be learning about developing recipes to suit dietary needs and personal tastes of people.

Reading

In our reading lessons, we will be looking at different types of texts focusing on the vocabulary used and the structure of different types of writing. We will ensure we can retrieve answers from the text and answer inference and vocabulary questions.

English



In writing, we are using the text 'What a Waste' to create persuasive posters focusing on the persuasive language and devices used to persuade.
We will then be writing a character description and an explanation text about the Ancient Greeks based on the text 'Who Let the Gods Out?'. We will be using a range of punctuation and writing different types of clauses.

Science

In science, we will be studying earth and space which is an aspect of physics. We will be learning about the movement of the earth in the solar system, learning the names of the planets. We will also study the movement of the moon and the rotation of the earth to create day and night.

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on fractions, decimals and percentages and the relationship between them. We will be writing decimals as fractions, rounding decimals, writing percentages as part of 100 and looking at improper fractions and mixed numbers.
We will also be continuing to practise our arithmetic strategies for the 4 operations.



Reading

Reading should take place at home daily 15 minutes per day.

Spelling Shed

Can be used throughout the week, but a minimum of 3 times a week.

www.spellingshed.com

Mathletics

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20 Recommended Reads for ...

Year 5 (ages 9-10)

