



September 2017

Year 5 Newsletter

Dear Parents

Welcome to the new academic year at Delves Junior School. We hope you all had a happy and relaxing holiday. This year the Year 5 team comprises 5 teachers, 1 teaching assistant and 2 support assistants, we are:

- Mrs Headley (Assistant Head/Upper School Phase Leader)
- Mr Headley (Class 7 and Year Co-ordinator)
- Mr Peckitt (Class 8)
- Mrs Khera/Mrs Mowbray (Class 9)
- Mrs Thorp (Cover and intervention teacher)
- Miss Azam (Teaching Assistant)
- Miss Acton (Support Assistant)
- Mrs Kauser (Support Assistant)

We are all looking forward to the coming year and hope that we can work in partnership with you in order for your child to reach their full potential this year. We will keep you informed about the subjects that your child will be studying throughout the year, their homework and any special year group events that will be taking place via our half termly newsletters.

Homework

As in previous years Homework forms a significant part of Year 5. It is most important that all children complete and return homework on the required days:

- Maths Issued on a Thursday and returned by Tuesday at the latest.
- Spelling Tested on a Wednesday. *Spellings for the first half term are given on one sheet*
- Reading To be completed at home at least three times a week.
- Project Completed over a half term, handed in by Friday 13th October. Please check that your child completes some of this homework each week and understands the amount of time they have to complete it. There is a lot of additional material on our website to support project work.

For this half term we would like all homework completed in the purple book. Work completed on computers should be printed and stuck in the book.

Handing homework in on time will be rewarded with additional Dojo points which will accrue raffle tickets for a Year Five prize draw at the end of the half-term.

Dates

12/9/17 School photographs
20/10/17 School closes for half term
31/10/17 School reopens for the second half of the Autumn term. Please note that this is a Tuesday, school is closed for staff training on Monday 30th October.

PE

In Year 5 PE is on the following days:

- Class 7 Wednesday and Friday
- Class 8 Monday and Friday
- Class 9 Monday and Wednesday

We would appreciate it if the children could bring a suitable PE kit to school on a Monday including pumps for indoor PE and trainers for outdoor PE. Please ensure all of your child's clothing is named and that T shirts are in your child's house colour. PE kits will be sent home on a Friday so that they may be washed.

Jewellery

In the interests of health, safety and security we are asking children not to wear any jewellery to school with the exception of watches, stud earrings and items of religious significance. Anything that cannot be removed for PE must be covered. We anticipate your support with this and thank you.

Curriculum Outline

A copy of our learning targets and curriculum outline for this half term are provided on a separate sheet.

If you have any queries relating to the curriculum in Year 5 please arrange a mutually agreeable time to see a member of the Year 5 staff.

Yours sincerely

Mr G Headley
Year 5 Co-ordinator

Year 5 Autumn 1 Curriculum Outline

Subject	Areas to be covered	Further detail
Numeracy	Number Calculations Fractions Shapes Statistics	Place value Multiplication and division; addition and subtraction. Decimals and percentages Properties of shapes Data handling and graphs
Literacy	Reading/Writing Punctuation/Grammar	A variety of texts with an emphasis on stories. Non-fiction to include persuasive writing. Poetry of Ted Hughes. Revision of basic punctuation.
Science	Forces	Air/wind and water resistance
Project: The Vikings are Coming!	Art and design. Geography History RE	Dragons – clay models. Drawing Viking shields/standards. Design and make a scale model of a Viking village. Comparison of the UK with Norway The Vikings – raids, trading and settlement. Lindisfarne. Norse cosmology.
Computing	Design	Using an animation programme
Music	Key boards and percussion instruments	Introduction to the key board, use of percussion instruments. Taught by Mr McKeown, a specialist music teacher.
PE	Measuring fitness Outdoor	Fitness circuits (linked with science) Invasion game – Netball.
French	Vocabulary	Numbers and time words
RE	One church, many churches	Characteristics of religious buildings, with a focus on monastic life.