

Homework

Homework will continue to be handed out on a Wednesday to be returned the following Monday. Please ensure that it is handed in promptly each week and that it is of a similar standard to class work. It should be neatly presented and should use joined, cursive handwriting.

- In addition, children should read a minimum of three times a week and, ideally, should discuss the text with you. This will help with their reading comprehension. Please sign your child's Reading Record at least three times per week.
- Please continue to support your child with learning their ten spellings each week. This could involve writing them in a sentence or 'Look, Cover, Write, Check' activities.
- Times Tables practice via TT Rockstars or Mathletics. Please practise recall of multiplication facts and associated division facts as frequently as you can, encouraging them to reason and explain their thinking.

Dates for your diary

Friday 24th January – INSET day

Friday 31st January—Ancient Egypt 'wow' day

Thursday 13th February – visit to British Museum (more details to follow)

Saturday 15th — Sunday 23rd February—School half term

Friday 6th March—5 Hazel class assembly

Tuesday 10th and Thursday 12th March – Parents' Evenings

Tuesday 24th—Friday 27th March—Osmington Bay residential trip

Tuesday 31st March—Year 5 Egyptian Museum (parents invited from 2.30 pm)

Friday 3rd April—term ends @ 1.30pm

Monday 20th April– summer term starts

Year 5 Newsletter



Spring 2020

Dear Parents . . .

Happy New Year and many thanks from all of us in the Year 5 team for our lovely Christmas cards and gifts - your generosity was greatly appreciated!

Our topic this term is Ancient Egypt, which will be brought to life with our Egyptian Day (including art and food tasting activities - all in full Egyptian costume!) on the 31st January. At the end of term, the topic will culminate in a 'Raleigh Egyptian Museum', which will be an exciting opportunity for the children to share their hard work with you and other children - watch out for details in due course.

We will also be off on our fantastic residential trip to Osmington Bay on 24th March and we will be sending out a kit list and further details in due course.

Mrs Rees, Ms Bouchiba and Mrs Chalk

Outdoor Games and PE

Outdoor Games — this will continue to take place every Tuesday afternoon. Indoor PE for both classes will be on a Friday afternoon.

Please ensure your child has their **full** named PE kit in school **every day, especially if they take it home after a school sports club during the week.** In cold weather a tracksuit is required and this is available from the school shop and via TUCAS. A spare pair of socks is also very useful! 5 Cedar would welcome any donations of spare PE kit thank you.

Equipment

Reading book

Reading Record

Pencil case (to include a Pritt stick, a black handwriting pen, a pencil and a ruler)

PE kit (labelled please)

Freshly filled water bottle (clearly named)

Packet of tissues

What are we learning about this term?

In Maths this term, we will continue to look at the application of the four number operations, fractions, decimals and percentages, properties of shapes, area and perimeter and problem solving. Reasoning opportunities will be provided throughout to deepen understanding.

In English, we will be studying stories from other cultures, and myths and legends as well as improving our comprehension skills and spelling. Please encourage your child to use 'Read Theory' (online reading comprehension) at home as this is a valuable resource to help with their progress.

Our Science topics this term are the properties of materials and changing states.

We will also have a special focus on finding ways to reduce plastic use in school and at home.

Osmington Bay reminders!

We are delighted that all of Year 5 will be attending this trip from Tuesday 24th - Friday 27th March 2019. It forms a vital part of our final topic in Year 5—Coasts! The next payment instalment is due on 24th January but please remember that payments are flexible. You can contact Mrs Light in the School Office for advice on a payment plan if required.

You will receive a medical permission form later this term via your child. Please complete it promptly.

Later this half-term, we will be talking about the detailed arrangements and we will be sending home a kit list so you can check that you have everything you need over the half-term holiday. However, please remember the children may get wet and muddy, so pack their old clothes!

