



Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2 2024/25

This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Trips and Workshops:

- 6.11.24- Albert Hall (Concert)
- 14.11.24 – London Docklands Museum.
- 3.11.24- A Christmas Carol workshop in school.

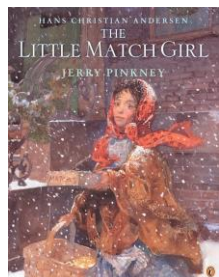
The Year 5 Team:	
5OF	Fiona Mac Donald & Rufus Eyre Varnier
5FM	Oliver Finegold & Eimear (PGCE student)
5RS	Rebecca Steel

History / Geography - Our topic this half term is The Victorians.

We will be learning about how life has changed since Victorian times.

You should have already received this term's **topic homework and knowledge organiser** via email.

Additionally, these will be shared on your child's Google Classroom page. If you would like a paper version, your child can ask their class teacher.



English - This half term, we will be looking at descriptive narrative, using clauses to increase the complexity of our writing and formal discussion texts, debating the use of child labour in Victorian times.

Our class texts will be: 'The Little Match Girl' and Charles Dicken's 'A Christmas Carol'.

Reading – One of the most effective ways you can support your child with their academic progress and development, is through reading together regularly. Your child will receive a book from school which they should look after, and bring into school each day.

Children should be reading at home each day, preferably with an adult, for 20 minutes. Please sign your child's reading record each day to show they are reading regularly and so they can earn rewards in school. Please note, there is a £5 charge for lost books.



Maths - This half term we will be continuing to look at multiplication and division strategies and efficient methods and move on to beginning to work on fractions.

You can support your child at home by encouraging to do the weekly homework and by spot checking times tables and key number facts – e.g. how many 25's in 100. Don't forget to log on to Times Tables Rockstars!

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>





Science - This half term, we will be learning about the human lifecycles of humans and animals.



R.E – This half term we will be exploring our Year 5 RE Big Question- ‘How do beliefs influence action?’ by looking at Christianity.

P.E – This term we are doing Hockey and Invasion Games during our outdoor PE sessions.

All children **must** wear their PE kit into school on the specified days. PE kit should consist of plain navy (black or grey if necessary) bottoms (leggings, shorts or tracksuit bottoms), a white school t-shirt or gem house t-shirt and trainers. This should be worn with a school jumper or cardigan.

5OF	Tuesday	Wednesday
5FM	Thursday	Friday
5RS	Tuesday	Wednesday

PSHE - This half term, we will be looking at what is meant by bullying – including cyberbullying.

Music - This half term, we will be continuing to practise for the Young Voices concert at the O2.



Computing - This half term, we are looking at selection in physical computing- to explore the concept of selection in programming through the use of the Crumble programming environment. Learners will be introduced to a microcontroller (Crumble controller) and learn how to connect and program it to control components.

On behalf of the year 5 team, we look forward to an exciting term
Thank you all for your support.

Over the term we will be sharing examples of the work your children will be doing in class on our year group webpage: <https://www.thegemfederation.co.uk/bessemer-primary/learning-hub/classes/>