Key dates for Autumn Term 2025 Staying In Touch

Thursday 25th September: Autumn Disco

Friday 26th September: Macmillian Coffee Morning

Wednesday 1st October: School Nurse drop in for parents

Wednesday 15th October: Individual Photo Day

Wednesday 24th October: Break up for Half term

Monday 3rd November: INSET Day

Tuesday 4th November: Start of Autumn 2

Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th November: Parents Evening

Friday 28th November: Christmas Fair

Friday 19th December: Break up for Christmas

Behaviour

We are continuing to use the 'Bee Rules' to help the children make good choices in school. These rules are displayed in the classroom:

- 1. Be kind
- 2. Be a good listener
- 3. Be hardworking
- 4. Be respectful
- 5. Be responsible





In the Autumn, when the weather is changing...

We have enjoyed some summer weather this year but unfortunately it is now officially over and Autumn is coming. The weather is changing. To help us, please can your child come to school with a coat so they can be warm at playtimes and lunchtimes if it is cold. Please

label all items with your child's name and class to avoid mix-ups. Thank you for your co-operation.

Year 5 Autumn Term 2025



5KC Mrs Kay Mrs Chappell

5L Miss LeCouteur

Learning Support

Mrs Lund

Miss North

Mr Johnson

Mr Khalid

Hello!

Welcome to Year 5 and Upper Key Stage 2! We hope that you had a wonderful summer break and are refreshed and ready for the challenges – and fun – which lie ahead this year!

The children have settled into their new building fantastically and have begun their new school year with great enthusiasm, maturity and curiosity.

This term we will begin our topic 'How did the Kingdom become united?' The children will become historians and investigate the role of the Anglo Saxons and Vikings played in shaping the country we know today.

English

This term we will be studying texts in a range of genres and by a variety of significant authors, beginning with an amazing video called 'The Present.' This has the themes of acceptance, understanding and friendship highlighted throughout. After we have completed this video, we will explore different books based on our topic.

Alongside this, the children will have regular lessons to improve their understanding of the rules and conventions for grammar, punctuation and spelling.

Remember, all spelling is now taught in school—so there will be no spelling lists sent home to learn.

Maths

During the first part of this year we will be focusing on the children's number skills and understanding of place value. This will involve ensuring that the children are confident using formal methods for the four mathematical operations. The children will have lots of opportunities to deepen their understanding through investigation and problem solving work.

Home Learning

<u>Reading</u> - It is a school expectation that children read to an adult, at home, at least three times a week. As the children are reading longer books and becoming more independent, we are going to move away from reading records and will be encouraging the children to keep a list of books read in their reading book in school. We would love to encourage reading for pleasure, so children are more than welcome to read their banded book from school alongside another book of their choice.

<u>Times Tables</u> - By the end of the year all children will be expected to be secure with all their multiplication tables up to 12x and their related division facts. They should also know their squared and cubed numbers up to 12x. Please keep practising at home with your child—Times Table Rockstars log ins have been sent home.

<u>Homework Sheet</u> - Your child will also receive a homework sheet. This includes a range of different activities for them to do in their own time at home. We encourage children to complete 1 Maths, 1 English and 1 Topic piece of homework. The chillies indicate the level of challenge, with Mind-Blowing being the most challenging. Try to push yourself to try some of the spicier challenges.

Snacks

Children are able to bring a snack to eat at break time. This should be fruit or vegetables only. Yogurts, cereal bars etc are not permitted and the children will have to bring these back home with them. Water bottles for the classroom should contain water—not juice.

PE and Forest School

Children should continue to come to school in their P.E kits on the days they have P.E. This will be a Wednesday and Thursday for Autumn Term.

Both classes will be completing one outdoor lesson (Thursday) and one indoor lesson. The indoor lesson focus will be on dance and on invasion games on Thursday.