

Important Events

Tuesday 5th January – School begins

Tuesday 5th January- Homework Celebration Assembly

Monday 1st February- Friday 5th February- Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 9th February- Safer Internet Day

Friday 12th February- School finishes

Monday 22nd February – First day of Spring 2

Homework

Homework is handed out on Friday and should be returned the following Wednesday. Homework will consist of tasks that will consolidate the work the children have learned that week and from time to time, a challenge related to their topics. A regular part of homework will be weekly spellings, we will be testing children on these on a weekly basis. All homework will now be on **google classrooms**. Children will have lessons in class on how to upload work. If you do not have access to a computer device or internet, we will continue to give homework in books for your child.

It is also essential that your child reads daily for at least 20 minutes. Reading is a fantastic way for your children to expand their vocabulary, increase their knowledge and improve their writing. Please also ensure that your child is practicing their times tables **every day**.

It is important that your child does their homework – please help them by making sure they have time to do it.

PE

P.E.

This term the children will be learning how to play cricket and bench ball. PE lessons will take place on **Monday and Tuesday for Venezuela and Tuesday and Friday for Puerto Rico**.

Your child's P.E kit must contain a white t-shirt and either blue or black shorts or tracksuit bottoms. plimsolls or plain trainers must be worn during all P.E lessons. **P.E kits must only be brought in on the day of P.E and taken home on the same day to be washed.**



Year Five Autumn Term Curriculum Newsletter

We would like to say well done to our year 5 on a magnificent first term. We have been so impressed by the way year 5 have presented themselves in the classroom and around the school. They adopt the values we encourage at Alexandra and have shown resilience, perseverance and a determination to learn.

Writing

We are so impressed with the outcomes the Year 5 writing them term. Their core text was Macbeth by William Shakespeare. The children produced some amazing play scripts based on Macbeth. They published this work and performed some of their plays. We were amazed with the expression and acting from all children.

Art

Throughout our art lessons we have been designing, creating and decorating Christmas stockings. The children really enjoyed art this term and created some beautiful stockings. We are extremely impressed with the resilience shown from all of Year 5 during this difficult sewing task.

In the current situation, if you wish to talk to us about your child you should ring the office to let them know and we will then call you back.

Year 5 team: Miss Sudworth, Mr Khan, Miss Daniella

As writers, we will be reading Tudor Tales and writing first person narrative stories based on this book. We will learn the techniques authors use to engage their readers and focus on punctuation and grammar that compliments this styles of writing. Later on in the term, we will be writing explanation texts about Animals. This links to our previous science topic of living things and their habitats. The children will use their prior knowledge to help them with this piece of writing.

As mathematicians, our focus will be on fractions, decimals, percentages and converting between these. We will also develop our basic numeracy skills by attempting worded questions focussing on money and units of time.

As scientists, we will be continuing with our biology theme and learning all about the development of animals including humans. We will learn key terms such as gestation and conduct research into gestation periods in different animals. We will present our work using graphs and tables.

In R.E, we will be learning about the humanistic approach and considering what informs the choices people make.

In computing, we will work to understand how we can stay safe online. We will discuss what a digital footprint is and whom we can ask for help.

This term, the focus will be art where children will be evaluating the work of Cezanne and then creating their own still life paintings based on this.

English
Retelling of stories and explanation texts.

Maths
Fractions

Science
Animals including humans

This term our topic is **Let's Work**. We will explore the future jobs and steps to getting there. We will also discuss the importance of money and how to keep money safe.

R.E
Humanism

Computing
Online safety

Art
Still life - Cezanne

Throughout the year, we will explore and discuss why we are a Rights Respecting School.
Article 12
We have the right to give your opinions and to be listened to. We have the responsibility to listen to others' views respectfully.
Article 28- *We have the right to a good quality education.*
We have the responsibility to work hard and always try our best at school

Year Five



PSCHE

Music

History
The Tudors

This term Venezuela will learn how to play the violin. Puerto Rico will do music technology.

This term we will be focusing on The Tudors. We will explore how people's lives have shaped the nation and how Britain has influenced and been influenced by the wider world.

We will learn about Henry VIII and his six wives. As a year group, we will become historians and investigate what life was like in Tudor London.

P.E

In PE, we will be learning about striking and fielding techniques in cricket as well as developing our throwing, catching and teamwork skills in bench ball.