

This term, Mrs Chavasse will be supported by Mrs Houle and Miss Sophie. In addition, we have a Student Teacher, Mr Ellis, who is in his final stage of training. He will be with us until Christmas and will be involved in all areas of teaching the curriculum. We will also, at times, be helped by Mrs O'Sullivan, Mrs Tucker and Miss Georgia. Mrs Hynes, who the children know well, will teach the whole class each Thursday morning.



## Homework

From now, KS2 Homework will focus on the essential skills of reading, spelling and times tables.

Each week, children should aim to read for 30 minutes at least 5 times; practise their times tables; and learn their personal spellings.

Each child will have a Reading Diary and Homework Practice Book.

## Useful Information

8TH OCTOBER  
AUTHOR VISITING KS2

PE  
TUESDAY AFTERNOON &  
SWIMMING ON WEDNESDAY  
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE SO PLEASE  
HAVE PE KIT IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY)

HOMEWORK CLUB  
WEDNESDAY 315 - 415  
(PLACES BOOKABLE THROUGH THE  
OFFICE TEAM)

HALF TERM  
18TH - 28TH OCTOBER INCLUSIVE

Should you need to  
contact me, either  
pop into class at the  
end of the school  
day, e-mail me or  
leave a message with  
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## KINGFISHER CLASS NEWSLETTER AUTUMN TERM 2019

Welcome to year 5. I hope everyone had a great summer and is feeling ready for a new term in a new class.

I am excited about teaching your child this year and am pleased at what a great start Kingfisher Class have had. They know what is expected of them and have set themselves targets.

Year 5 is the start of Upper Key Stage 2, so we will be working hard, whilst earning rewards along the way.

You can help your child achieve their potential by encouraging regular practice of times tables and spellings alongside daily reading of a minimum of 30 minutes.



## Subjects this term:

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### Maths

This term we will be focusing on number and place value, building on prior learning. There will be strong emphasis on arithmetic and problem solving to reflect the expectations of the National Curriculum. We will apply skills to other subjects wherever possible.



### English

We will continue to use the PWP approach to writing with several exciting texts to ensure we reach our targets. We will begin by writing a suspense story with an accompanying newspaper article. This will be followed, before Christmas with an adventure story.

### Science

Our autumn themes are Earth and Space followed by Forces.

### RE

Creation; Prayers, Feasts and Saints; Islam; Sacraments; and Advent will be taught by Mrs Hynds.

### History

This term, we will learn about the Ancient Greeks, what they achieved and how they have influenced the western world.

### Geography

During the autumn term, Year 5 will focus on locational knowledge using maps, atlases and Google Maps. We will find out how physical features are formed.

### PE

All PE lessons will continue to be taught by our specialist sports coach, Miss Sloman. Some children will be selected for external sporting fixtures. We'll start with tennis and swimming.

### PSHE

We will begin with 'New Beginnings', setting personal targets relating to health and fitness. Throughout the year, we will maintain a focus on friendship and British and Gospel Values.

### MFL



French will continue to be taught by a language specialist from Pilton Community College.

### Computing

Using our Chrome Books, we will build on prior learning to expand our skills. As always, we will remember how to stay safe on line.

### Music

This term, music will continue to be taught by our music specialist, Mrs Hynes. Additional lessons in a variety of instruments are available. Please enquire at the office for further details.



### Art

In addition to a specific art topic, there will be opportunities to apply skills to other areas of the curriculum, including Science and History.