

# Y5 Spring Newsletter



## Welcome

Happy New Year and welcome back Y5s! We hope you all had a nice break over the holidays and are ready for another full packed term.

We have a range of fantastic topics this term such as textiles, Ancient Maya and working on Audacity.

## Y5 Key Staff

Class	Teacher/s	Teaching assistants
Y5TH	Ms Taylor Mr Harrison (Thursdays)	Mrs Rahim
Y5CB	Mrs Conroy (Mon & Tues) Mrs Beasley (Weds-Fri)	Mrs Davis Mrs Rahim
Y5P	Miss Pearson	Mrs Booth

Staff are always available on the yard just before the school day begins or just after school when we dismiss the children for quick messages.

To discuss any worries or concerns, please contact your child's classteacher at [teachers@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:teachers@dobcroft-jun.sheffield.sch.uk) to arrange a meeting.

## Spring Curriculum

Below is an outline of the topics Year 5 will be covering over the term. For further details, please visit our website under the 'our learning' section. **The 'Key learning' documents are great for a snapshot of the most important facts and understanding.**

### Spring 1

<b>English</b>	Pandora – Non chronological reports The Highway Man
<b>Whole Class Reading</b>	Fiction – The Magician's Nephew Non-fiction - Forces
<b>Maths</b>	Multiplication and Division, Fractions
<b>Times tables focus</b>	Mixed to 12 x 12
<b>Science</b>	Earth and Space
<b>History or Geography (we rotate units termly)</b>	Ancient Maya
<b>Art or DT (we rotate units termly)</b>	DT - Sewing
<b>Computing</b>	Audacity – radio adverts
<b>Personal Development</b>	Friendships
<b>Music</b>	Ancient Egyptian Music
<b>RE</b>	Religious beliefs and tolerance
<b>PE – Games</b>	Hockey
<b>PE – gymnastics or dance</b>	Gymnastics - balance

### Spring 2

<b>English</b>	Performance poetry, Balanced arguments
<b>Whole Class Reading</b>	Fiction – The Magician's Nephew Non-fiction - TBC
<b>Maths</b>	Fractions
<b>Times tables focus</b>	Mixed to 12 x 12
<b>Science</b>	Living things and their habitats
<b>History or Geography (we rotate units termly)</b>	Geography – The Americas
<b>Art or DT (we rotate units termly)</b>	Alma Thomas - Painting
<b>Computing</b>	Programming
<b>Personal Development</b>	Mental well-being
<b>Music</b>	Ancient Egyptian music
<b>RE</b>	Religious beliefs and tolerance
<b>PE – Games</b>	Kiwi Cricket
<b>PE – gymnastics or dance</b>	Dance

**Assessments this term:** Week of **10<sup>th</sup> March 2025**. This process will inform class teachers of any gaps, allowing us to plan relevant lessons and interventions.

## Y5 Key dates (please also see our calendar on the website)

Date	Event
6.1.25	School reopens
10.1.25	Young Voices
23.1.25	Y5CB - Work showcase open morning
14.2.25	Y5TH – Class assembly 9:10 Break up for February half term and Dress Down Day
24.2.25	Return to school
5.3.25, 6.3.15	Book Fayre
6.3.25	World Book Day
10.3.25	Bikeability starts
25.3.25, 26.3.25	Parents' Evenings
28.3.25	Break up for Easter Holidays and Dress Down Day

## Home Learning

Home learning will continue to be posted onto Class Dojo every Friday. Homework does not need to exceed 50 minutes. If in doubt, please focus on learning the spellings and reading at home. The homework books can be additional after that and the pages given are a guide to support work done in class or to recap previous learning.

Home learning booklets should be in school by Thursday as the latest.

Y5 will continue to have their spelling tests on Thursday/Friday.

## PPA

This year, the teaching team will have their planning, preparation and assessment time on alternate **Monday and Wednesday afternoons**.

During this time, your child will be taught French, Music or R.E from our PPA teachers.

Miss McCready – French

Mrs Dawson – Music

Mrs Cooper– R.E

## P.E Days

Class	PE Days
Y5TH	Monday & Friday
Y5P	Tuesday & Friday
Y5CB	Tuesday & Friday

## Notices

- Bikeability will start on the 10<sup>th</sup> March and will run for 3 weeks. Further information will be provided closer to the date.
- On those days, please ensure that your child brings or wears (at least) a school jumper/fleece into school so that they are warm enough whilst we are out.

## Your support and help

We love parent / carer helpers – this term we are going to be doing sewing in D&T so if you would like to come in to help out with our sewing lesson/s, please let us know and we can work out times and dates.

**Thank you  
The Y5 Team**