



Headteacher : Mrs L Nicholls

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Year 5 - Spring Curriculum Newsletter

A warm welcome back to the Spring term from the Year 5 team!

We hope you find this letter informative; please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries using our new inbox: year5@broadford.havering.sch.uk

Homework:

Our expectation at Broadford is that every child should do the following every night:

- 15 minutes reading to themselves or an adult (signed in the reading record)
- 15 minutes practicing spellings in their spelling book
- 15 minutes rehearsing times tables facts (including multiplication and division)

Mathletics and Times Table Rock Stars:

Every child should have their logins for the above platforms, which means they can access their accounts outside of school. Both websites offer valuable resources that can support your child's learning in Maths so please encourage your child to use them.

Spellings:

Spellings will be given out on Mondays. The children should practice their words every evening. Spelling books and reading records must be brought in on Fridays, which is also when the weekly test happens. This will be closely monitored and rewarded!

P.E Lessons

There is a slight change to the PE day for Year 5, sorry for any inconvenience caused. Maple and Redwood will have PE lessons every Wednesday afternoon, this is when Willow will go swimming. Children are expected to come into school in appropriate PE uniform for their lessons in the afternoon - black/grey/navy shorts or tracksuit and a white polo shirt.

Reading Books

As reading is such a priority, we will try to make sure children's books are regularly changed and every child will read 1:1 with an adult at least once a week. Year 5 children will receive extra play on a Friday if they have read 3 times in a week (and reading record has been signed by an adult). Please remind the children to let any adults know if they need to change their book and that it is their responsibility to bring any old reading books back to school. The children are strongly encouraged to read books from the 105 books to read at Broadford list. The children all have trackers for these books which the teacher will check off for them.

School Uniform

It has been wonderful to see the Year 5 pupils return to school looking very smart in their school uniform. Please be reminded that the school colours are grey and navy. All school uniform is available through [Premier School Wear](#).

Key Dates

Spring 1		Spring 2	
Thursday 27th January	Trip to Imperial War Museum	Monday 21st February	School Closed - INSET Day
Friday 11th February	Last day of the half term	Tuesday 22nd February	Children return to school
		Monday 28th March	Parents Evening
		Tuesday 29th March	Parents Evening
		Friday 1st April	End of Spring Term

Curriculum Information

We have included a summary of the topics which the children will be covering this term on the following page. If you would like to make any suggestions of what you or your child would like to learn in relation to the topics taught, please inform your child's class teacher. We welcome any suggestions you may have.

Mersea

Please be aware that the Mersea trip needs to be paid **in full** by 11th May 2022. We will be holding further meetings about the trip closer to our departure.

We look forward to the year ahead and are sure it will be full of fabulous learning experiences!

To contact us, please send an email to: year5@broadford.havering.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

Year 5 Team

Spring Term		
	1st Half Term	2nd Half Term
Literacy	Text: Letters from the Lighthouse The children will be writing diary entries, persuasive texts and more.	Text: A variety of war texts will be studied to compare and contrast with those looked at in Spring 1.
	Please fill in the reading journal after hearing your child read. For a good selection of children's books, visit your local library. Useful websites: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f http://www.magickeys.com/books/ https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/5-7-years/letters-and-sounds	
Maths	Fractions, Decimals & Percentages	
	It is essential for the children to know all of their time tables so that they can access the mathematics curriculum in Year 5 & 6. Please encourage your child to practise on TTRockstars every evening to improve their speed and accuracy. Here are some useful websites to support your child with their learning at home: Corbett Maths Primary Mathletics	
Computing	Computing Skills We are Bloggers	
Science	Forces	Materials
History/Geography	History: WW2 & WW2 in the local area	
RE	What do religions say to us when life gets hard?	Why do people make vows and commitments to one another?
RSE	Valuing Difference	Healthy Me
PE	Hockey	Other ball games
Music	Make you feel my love	Fresh prince of Bel Air
Art/Design and Technology	Making Anderson Shelters	Art unit TBC
French	Recap of Year 4 topics	
Trip/ Dates	Imperial War Museum - 27th January Spring 2 trip TBC	