

WELCOME TO YEAR 5



Class Teacher: Ms Thomas

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Kidder and Mrs Waddingham

Your Child's School Week

Arrival: Children should arrive on the playground from 8:30am, the school bell will ring at 8.40am ready to start the school day at 8:45am.

Timetable

In our school every day is different but a typical day in Year 5 looks like this:

8:45am	Registration & Morning Challenge
9:00am	English
10:00am	Phonics/Reading
10:30am	Play Time
10:45am	Collective Worship
11:00am	Mathematics
12:00pm	Lunch Time
1:00pm	Registration & Reading
1:15pm	Lesson 5
2:15pm	Fit in 15
2:30pm	Lesson 6
3:00pm	Class Reader
3:15pm	Home Time

P.E.: Your child will have P.E. on Tuesdays and Thursdays so please make sure they are wearing their P.E. kit in school on these days. Please also provide a spare pair of shoes in case their trainers become muddy during PE.

Outdoor Learning: Outdoor Learning can take place on any day, whatever the weather. Please ensure your child has suitable outdoor shoes or wellies and a raincoat in school every day so they are ready to learn outdoors.

Library: Your child will visit the Library Bus every Tuesday. Please ensure they bring their library book to school on this day.

Looking Ahead in Year 5

Educational Visits

We will be visiting Burghley House in the Autumn term as part of our Tudors topic. Later in the year, we also plan to take part in the Churches Together Schools Festival in Stamford.

Workshops

The children will soon be taking part in a banner making workshop and exhibition to celebrate Lincolnshire Day. They will be designing and creating a banner focused on the Tudor theme, in particular remembering the Lincolnshire uprising of 1536. In November, we also have an online safety workshop scheduled to help children understand how to keep themselves safe online.

Expectations

Our school expectations are Ready, Respectful, Safe. We celebrate positive behaviour and recognise children who go above and beyond, through praise, house points and our classroom recognition systems. Children may also be recognised during our Friday Celebration Worship through School Value and Well Done certificates or by being named Star of the Week.

Attendance & Punctuality

Every minute of learning counts. Regular attendance and good punctuality give children the best opportunity to learn and succeed. Please ensure your child arrives on time every day and is ready to begin learning at 8:45am. Attendance and punctuality are monitored daily. Please note: Holidays during term time cannot be authorised.

School Uniform

Children should wear the correct school uniform each day. Plain, unbranded uniform items are permitted in line with our school uniform policy. Please ensure all uniform, PE kit, coats, water bottles and lunch boxes are clearly labelled. Children do not need to bring pencil cases to school.

Hair, Jewellery & Appearance

Long hair should be tied back, with hair accessories kept to a minimum. Small, plain ear studs are permitted but must be removed for PE and physical activities. Smart watches are not permitted. Nail varnish and makeup are not permitted.

Homework

Homework is designed to reinforce learning in school and help children develop independence. Each week, children will be expected to complete reading, spelling and mathematics activities.

Reading

- Children should read for 20 minutes each day.
- Please record your child's reading in their reading record and sign it.
- Mrs Kidder will endeavour to change children's reading books on the day that they bring in a finished book, provided time is available on that day. However, this may not always be possible and children may need to wait a day or two.
- Please ensure your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day.

Spellings

- New spellings will be introduced in school on Mondays.
- Children should practise their spellings regularly at home.
- Spellings will be released on Spelling Shed each Saturday ready for the following week.
- Spelling tests will take place on Fridays.

Mathematics

- Children should complete one maths activity each week using MyMaths.
- A maths activity will be released on MyMaths each Saturday, ready for the following week. Activities will support the learning taking place in class.
- Maths activities will be **available on Times Table Rockstars throughout the year.** Please encourage your child to use these activities regularly to practise and reinforce their mathematical skills.

Login details for Spelling Shed, MyMaths and Times Tables Rock Stars can be found in your child's reading record. If you need a replacement copy, please contact the school office.

Term Dates:

Autumn 1	Thursday 3 rd September 2026 - Friday 23 rd October 2026
Autumn 2	Monday 2 nd November 2026 - Friday 18 th December 2026
Spring 1	Tuesday 5 th January 2027 - Friday 12 th February 2027
Spring 2	Monday 22 nd February 2027 - Thursday 25 th March 2027
Summer 1	Wednesday 14 th April 2027 - Friday 28 th May 2027
Summer 2	Monday 7 th June 2027 - Wednesday 21 st July 2027

How You Can Help at Home

There are lots of simple ways you can support your child's learning and wellbeing at home:

- Prioritise reading: listen to your child read regularly and talk about the book together. Ask questions, discuss new vocabulary and encourage your child to share their ideas and predictions.
- Support independence: encourage your child to complete homework independently and establish a regular routine. Praise their effort and perseverance.
- Talk about school: ask your child about their day and celebrate their successes. Talk about our school expectations of Ready, Respectful, Safe and encourage your child to reflect on these at home.
- Praise effort and positive choices: celebrate when your child demonstrates our school values, makes good choices or goes above and beyond.

If your child is finding their homework difficult, please let us know so that we can provide support in school.

Everyday Essentials

Please ensure your child brings the following to school each day:

- A named water bottle
- A coat suitable for the weather
- A healthy snack for playtime
- Their reading book and reading record
- Any other items specifically requested by the class teacher

Please label all belongings clearly, including uniform, PE kit, coats, water bottles and lunch boxes.

If you have any questions or issues concerning your child, please do not hesitate to speak to the class teacher either on the playground or by making an appointment via the school office.

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