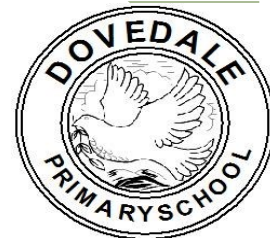


Dovedale Primary School



Welcome back—Autumn 2023

We hope the children and parents are as thrilled as we are to be back into the learning routine! Please read on for information about what to look forward to this term and how you can support your child. For a complete curriculum breakdown, please look at the school website.

What's happening this term

Reading

Reading practise is, of course, essential in year 5, and the expectations for reading are high. Teachers will ask children in their class to read with them on a 1 to 1 basis, and will listen to a minimum of 10 children per week.

Expectations:

Children	Bring in reading diary and book every day.
Adults	Listen to children read at home and record X3
Teachers	Listen to 10 –15 children read 1:1 per week

Maths

We will continue with the new maths mastery approach to teaching, increasing children's confidence and fluency in all areas of maths. This term we hope to have covered—in depth—the following areas of maths learning:

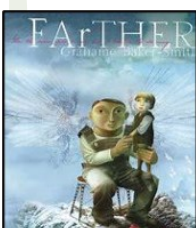
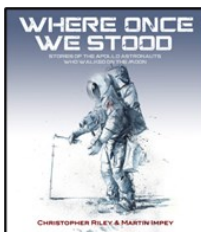
Autumn 1	Decimal Fractions & Money
Autumn 2	Negative numbers, short multiplication & short

The new maths homework platform is called Sumdog. Teachers will set homework weekly, linked to the learning in class. Login details will be the same.



Writing

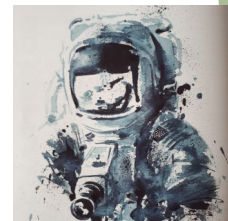
Two texts will provide the stimulus for writing in autumn term. From studying the text *Where Once We Stood*, children will complete an Exploration Narrative and Formal Report based employing writing techniques that tailor narrative for a specific audience.



After reading *Farther*, by Graham Baker-Smith, children will write their own setting narrative and then a final letter in the final drafting process of the unit. Emotive vocabulary and figurative language will be key here.

Science

Earth and Space will be the first unit of learning, and children will be working scientifically to discover more about Earth's position in the solar system, the phases of the Moon and the conceptual understanding of day & night and the seasons. We will then be moving onto changes, and how humans develop to old age.



Art

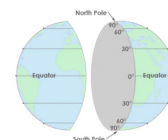
The focus for this term is drawing skills and water colours, using our writing text, science unit and the Moon landings as inspiration.

History

Children will be progressing chronologically starting with the Anglo Saxons, learning more about their impact on British history as well as developing more understanding about the Scotts and the Vikings.

Geography

Longitude and Latitude will be the focus of geographical understanding this term, with a big focus on map-work, and using longitude and latitude to help understand time zones and climate zones.



PE

Children will be receiving PE lessons from their class teacher, as well as Mr Kirkwood. They will arrive into school on Monday in PE kits as usual. We will develop skills in gymnastics as well as increasing understanding of rules and skills in Tag Rugby.

Class Dojo

We will continue to communicate with parents through the Class Dojo App, where you can see posts of children's work or other information about the learning.



ClassDojo

School website

For more detailed information on all subjects, visit the year 5 class page and curriculum pages at:

www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk