

Dovedale Primary School



Welcome to Year 5—Autumn 2025

We're so excited to be back into the learning routine and we hope that children and parents are just as thrilled as we are! This term is full of exciting opportunities and experiences. Below you'll find information about what to look forward to, as well as ways you can support your child. For a complete curriculum breakdown, please visit 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 in diary X3 times per week .
Teachers	Listen to 10–15 children read 1:1 per week

Maths

We will continue with the 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	Addition & Subtraction, Decimal Fractions & Money
Autumn 2	Negative numbers, Short Multiplication & Short Division, Long Multiplication

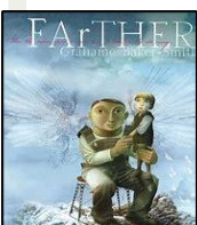
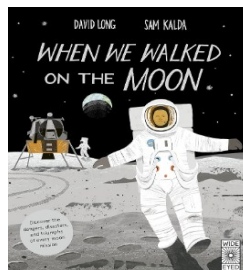


The maths homework platform continues to be Sumdog.

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 *When we walked on a moon*, children will complete an Exploration Narrative and Formal Mission Log 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

Science

Earth and Space will be the first unit of learning, and children will be working scientifically to discover more about Earth's place 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 into old age.



Art

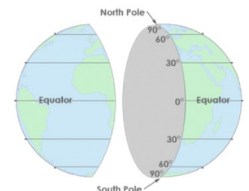
The focus for this term is drawing skills, using our writing text, science unit and Peter Thrope as inspiration.

History

Children will be progressing chronologically from year 4 starting with the Anglo Saxons, learning more about their impact on British history as well as developing more understanding about the Scots, Picts, Vikings and Anglo Saxons.

Geography

Longitude and Latitude will be the focus of geographical understanding this term, with a big focus on mapwork, and using longitude and latitude to



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 Netball.

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 and updates.



ClassDojo

School website

For more detailed information on all subjects, visit the year 5 class page and curriculum pages at:
www.dovedaleprimary.co.uk