

Sherwood Primary School

Y5 WELCOME NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term



Dear Parents and Children,
Welcome to Year 5!

At the beginning of the new school year, we would like to welcome your child to Year 5 and hope that they will have a very happy and successful year.

A strong partnership between home and school is very important for your child to succeed and we value highly the role you play in supporting your child's learning.

In Year 5, the children will be working with Mr Sowerby, Mrs Holt, Mrs Cooksley, Miss Thorpe, Mrs Rushe and Mrs Lovejoy.

Year 5 children will take part in a range of experiences this year, including our Viking visit to Tatton Hall, a trip to Catalyst Science Discovery Centre and of course our residential trip to Tower Wood next May.

Kind regards,

The Year 5 Team.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

Viking visit to Tatton Hall – a day when we can really get into role, dressing up as Vikings and living for a day as a Viking child.
DT Day – your child will create a healthy version of Spaghetti Bolognese to give you a night off making the tea!
Carol Concert
Christmas Party

VOCABULARY TO LEARN AT HOME

Knowledge of these words is essential for learning this term. Please share and discuss together at home:

invade, Danelaw, navigate, reversible, solution (the scientific one!), suspension (scientific).

READING

To help your child progress in English, daily reading continues to be a high priority. Home reading should cover a range of different types of texts. A major emphasis of the reading in Year 5 is ensuring good understanding of what has been read. Discussing the text, the characters and language used in a book is of great value, as is discussing personal response and feelings about the text. In the next few weeks, your child will be bringing home their latest Book Drop text which we hope you will enjoy together. Reading book pages read and a list of any new vocabulary that you have discussed, should be recorded in the homework diary please and initialled each night by a parent. It does not always need to be their school reading book – we love to find out about wider texts your child has been reading. Diaries will be collected in and signed on a Friday. Many thanks for your continued support with reading! It really does make a difference!

THIS TERM WE ARE READING

- **The Legend of Gelert** and part of **Beowulf** by Michael Morpurgo
- A retold version of **Oliver Twist** by Charles Dickens
- **The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe** by C.S. Lewis
- **Our Book Drop book** – yet to be revealed! *(This is the book that will be sent home for discussion and homework)*

OUR CURRICULUM

It is an action-packed term of learning in Y5. For our full Y5 curriculum documentation, please visit [our website](#) (Curriculum – Sherwood Curriculum). This provides an overview of key learning across the Curriculum.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be set every Friday through our Y5 Class Page on the Website. Homework is to be handed in the following Wednesday; please encourage your child to organise their time effectively.

Weekly homework may include:

- Daily reading;
- Spelling investigations including Spelling Frame;
- Grammar and handwriting tasks;
- Maths activities including the CGP book;
- Activities related to our current topic.

Please make sure that your child completes their homework, in pencil, to a high standard – with a focus on clear presentation and detail. Please do not hesitate to speak to a member of our Y5 team if your child requires additional support with homework.