

Year 5 Autumn Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year! I hope you all have had a lovely summer. I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the support that you have already given to your children with learning spellings and reading. Without a doubt, it makes all the difference to their learning. Over-leaf are a selection of websites that will help support your child in their learning.

As always, if there are any queries about anything, please do not hesitate to come and see me.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs C. Hickman

Something Special:

This Term we will be taking part in:

- Weekly French lessons
- An Anglo-Saxon trip to Birmingham Museum
- Swimming lessons every Monday!
- Class Mass: 26-09-17; 17-10-17; 28-11-17
- Assembly: 15-09-17
- Maths Parent Workshop: 08-11-17; 09-11-17
- Prayer Partner Gathering



Further information on these events to follow nearer the time.

Topics:



This term's topics are :

Vikings versus the Anglo-Saxons (1st half term)
&
Extreme Earth (2nd half term)

These will both include a range of Learning Challenges that will inspire the

Lesson News:

This Term we shall be learning about:

R.E.: The Creation and Miracles

Literacy: A range of genre including Suspense and Mystery writing.

Numeracy: Counting, partitioning and calculating; understanding shape and securing number facts.

Science: Seed Dispersal in Plants and Life Cycles.

ICT: Designing and programming our own games.

PE: Swimming & Gymnastics

Art: Illusions and Perspective



Useful Websites.

I have put together a list of really useful websites with free games and activities that you can introduce to your child to supplement their learning. As always the best help you can give is to hear your child read every night, help them learn their spellings and **all** their tables up to 12x12.

For all subjects with links to other sites go to: <http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/>

BBC Spellits (Spelling games) (KS2) <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/spellits/index.shtml>

BBC Bitesize (Spelling and grammar) (KS2) http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/

Arcademic Skill Builders (Literacy and maths games) (KSI & KS2) <http://www.arcademics.com/>

Crickweb (Literacy and maths educational games) (KS2) <http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

Kids Spell (Create your own spelling lists & games) (KSI & KS2) <http://kidsspell.com/>

Fun Brain (Maths, reading and spelling games) (KSI & KS2) <https://www.funbrain.com/games/spellaroo>

Learning Games for Kids (Spelling and word games) (KSI & KS2) http://www.learninggamesforkids.com/spelling_games.html

Eduplace.com (Levelled spelling and vocabulary games) (KSI & KS2) <http://www.eduplace.com/kids/hmsv/smg/>

PrimaryGames.com (Spelling rules, incl. vowels, blends, plurals etc) (KSI & KS2) <http://www.primarygames.com/see-n-spell/see-n-spell.htm>

ICT Games.com (Look, cover, check game) (KSI & KS2) <http://www.ictgames.com/lcwc.html>

The Times Spelling Bee (Listen to a word and spell it) (KS2) (14 day trial: £1) <http://www.timesspellingbee.co.uk/Training/SpellingBee.aspx>

Manythings.org (Aimed at ESL students but includes useful spelling & vocabulary games) (KS2) <http://www.manythings.org/e/spelling.html>

Spelling city (Vocabulary and spelling interactive activities, printable worksheets, games) (KS2) <http://www.spellingcity.com/>

SAT's revision:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/>

Parents advice

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents/>