

Year 5 News

Friday 31st January 2025

As we approach the end of January we are pleased with how the children have settled into the new term. This week, we have been taking part in important discussions about mental health with *Heads Up*, encouraging thoughtful debates and reflection on our well-being. In maths, the children have been busy finding and comparing the area of different shapes, music has been a magical combination of glockenspiels, tambourines and rap in our interpretations of the 'Fresh Prince of Bel Air' and we have been busy coding bitmaps in computing. We have been very impressed with the children's efforts in art this week using pencils and shading techniques to create fabulous 3D effects. This is only a snippet of what we have been up to!

Mrs Skinner, Miss Rowe and Mrs Walker

HOME LEARNING- Homework is due in by Wednesday and there will be a homework club on **FRIDAY** lunchtime for anyone who has struggled with the tasks or those who haven't completed the work set.

Reading – Children should **read at home for 20-30 mins daily**, this is on top of any reading done at school. This may be reading to an adult or independent reading. We will see the children have done this homework by looking in their reading record.

TT Rockstars – Please log on and make sure you know your times tables! We will check when the children last accessed TT Rockstars as a guide to whether they have completed their homework.

Maths – In maths we have started looking at the area of shapes this week. **This week's homework is practising some of the skills learnt.**

Spellings– Please learn your individual spellings recorded in your reading record. You will be tested on these next Thursday/Friday.

All the children should have all of the usernames and passwords needed to access their homework in their reading records.

Vocabulary for next week

In this section we will add vocabulary we will be using the following week in lessons. Please take time to discuss or look up the words in the list.

Pier, hovering, mantelpiece, flutters, squinting, variable, pulley, lever

PE

Children will need their PE kits in school everyday but our timetabled lessons are as follows:

5WS and 5R Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Reminders and dates for the diary

- ✓ Thursday 6th February – PTFA Disco
- ✓ A polite reminder that break time snacks should be fresh fruit or vegetables ONLY.
- ✓ Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform including grey school skirts/trousers/shorts and plain grey/black/white socks. Please see the school uniform policy for more details.
- ✓ Friday February 14th – break up for half term.