

Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2025

We have had a great half term establishing our expectations and settling down in our new classes.

Children have been challenging themselves to learn many new concepts. Well done to pupils who completed the Autumn 1 home learning questions. In class, we have been enjoying reading and discussing Journey to Jo'Burg and 'A Boy and a Bear in a Boat'. This newsletter outlines the topics we will be covering in each subject during the second half of the Autumn term. Thank you for your continued support.

English

We will study a range of genres and in Destination Reader, we will continue practising different strategies including inference and evaluation.



Author Study

We will complete our author study with the children writing their own scenes for a chapter of the funny and heart-warming book, 'A Boy and a Bear in a Boat.'



We will be analysing 'Romeo and Juliet' by William Shakespeare to study structure, language and themes. The children will use these features to write a persuasive letter.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z726yrd/articles/z7j3r2p

Science



Our Science topic for this term is 'Earth and Space'. This will include: developing an understanding of day and night, the four seasons and the Moon's phases. The Sun and the planets making up our Solar System are investigated, along with other stars in their constellations.

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Music

Pupils will continue to improve their musical skills using rhythm and beats.

Religion & Worldviews

This half term, the children will study the different denominations of Christianity, their origins and practices.

Computing

Speed, Direction and Co-ordinates

Children will use Discovery Education Coding to continue to develop their coding skills. They will learn how computers use numbers to represent things such as where objects are and how fast they are moving. Pupils will use this knowledge to create more complex games.

History

This term in History, Year 5 will be exploring the fascinating world of the Ancient Greeks! Using the KAPOW Primary scheme, pupils will investigate how the Ancient Greeks lived, their achievements, and how their ideas have shaped the modern world. They'll learn about Greek myths, city-states, democracy, and the lasting influence of Greek culture on art, architecture, and language.

P.E

Use their creative skills alongside a physical focus of static balancing: seated and floorwork. Creative skills range from linking sequences to adapting tactics to disguise their movements.

Maths

In Maths, children will be covering the following topics:

- Multiplication and Division by 10, 100, 1000 (using their knowledge of place value); multiples, factors and prime numbers; square and root numbers
- Equivalent fractions; converting mixed numbers and improper fractions; ordering and comparing fractions
- Mental maths and reasoning will be included in all of our maths lessons.

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ http://mathsathome.lqfl.org.uk/

PSHE

In PSHE this half term Year 5 will be focussing on the topic 'Celebrating Differences'. Through this topic, children will explore their uniqueness, cultural differences as well as developing strategies to deal with bullying.

Any concerns, please email: learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk Thank you!

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Year 5 Topic Home Learning Autumn 2

Complete all three challenges by Friday 12th December. Don't forget to read and practise spellings every day. Learning is submitted on Google Classroom or in the Red Home Learning Book.

Science—Forces

We focused on 3 types of forces: friction, air resistance and water resistance. Explain how each one slows down an object.

Picture	Increase or decrease air resistance?	Why?	How?	

Use the picture to determine whether air resistance will increase or decrease. Then state how and why.

History





Using the images and your knowledge of the area, state how Wembley Park has change from 1920 to the present day.

What was the purpose of the stadium being built?

What impact did it have on Wembley?

Super Power of Looking



Continue to analyse the Renaissance piece of art, but this time the focus is light. Discuss the points below with your parent/carer.

You can submit answers on Google classroom or in your red book. Also write what your parent/carer has said.

This painting is called 'The Adoration of the Kings' (1510-1515).

Light:

- 1. Can you see a light source? Does it suggest mood or time of day? What kind of light is used?
- 2. Look closer at Baltazar (the black figure) and his possessions. Does light help us to distinguish between textures? What does this tell us?
- 3. How does light help us to pick out other important elements in the painting?

Compulsory Homework—Maths Fluency Focus

Week 1: Multiply by 10, 100 and 1000 (use place value)

Week 2: Divide by 10, 100 and 1000 (use place value)

 $120 \div 10 = 336 \div 10 = 42 \div 10 = 377 \div 100 = 499 \div 100 = 28 \div 100 = 1778 \div 1000 =$

Week 3: Factors (find pairs of numbers that multiply together to make a product e.g. $2 \times 5 = 10$. $2 \times 5 = 10$.

Week 4: Prime Numbers. List all the prime numbers between:

a. 16 and 25 b. 92 and 100

c. 70 and 80 d. 35 and 45

Week 5: Find equivalent fractions

	<u>1</u> =	$\frac{1}{3}$ =	1/4 =	2/3 =	3/4 =	<u>1</u> =
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