

Kingsthorpe Grove Primary School

Year 5 Newsletter



Autumn Term 2

This is our termly Newsletter for your child's year group. Find out what the children will be up to this term as well as our Head Teacher and Sports Newsletters.

Please also see the dates for your diary!

30th October 2023	School opens for children
13th November	Anti-bullying week
17th November	Children in Need
21st November	School photos
24th November	Foundation week outcomes from 3pm
8th December	Christmas jumper day
14th December	Derngate production of Snow White
20th December	Christmas party afternoon
20th December	Last day of term
4th and 5th January	Training Day – no children
8th January	School opens for children

If you have any questions regarding this term then please message your child's class teacher on Class DoJo or email:

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Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half term.

PE—Tuesday afternoons

Please make sure your child has a complete PE kit in school at all times. All items should be named. Long hair must be tied up and earrings must be removed.

Homework

Ideally children should read daily but the minimum expectation is 10 minutes 3 times a week. Books can usually be changed every day that the children return them. Times tables should be practiced daily. Children will bring a list of five spellings home every two weeks. These spellings will be unique to your child.

English

We are continuing our 'Talk for Writing' approach to our writing lessons. This term we will look at two pieces of text. We will be spending the first few weeks looking at a 'Portal Story' called, 'Clockclose.' In these lessons we will spend a lot of time orally retelling stories, investigating word meaning and learning the features of how to write a setting.

Once we have become confident at retelling a story, we can then begin to innovate the story by adding in some of our own ideas. We will be discussing skills such as expanded noun phrases and will attempt to write our own 'Portal Story', using the 'Clockclose' layout to help us.

Our second text will be a non-fiction explanation text. Children will look at the different features of explanation texts and begin to practice using these skills in their own independent writing which will link to our Science topic.

Maths

This term we will start by learning the written methods for short multiplication, long multiplication and short division. We will then spend the rest of the term learning about fractions. This will include comparing fractions, finding equivalent fractions, finding fractions of amounts and calculating with fractions.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about space, light including light and shadows. We will also be looking at the planets in our solar system. As part of this learning, we will be going on a trip to 'The National Space Centre' towards the end of the term.

R.E.

This term our key question is around whether the Christian Christmas story is true? The child we be learning to evaluate different accounts of the Christmas story and understand that stories can be true in different ways.

Computing

Children will be how to use selection in coding. We will do this by creating quizzes using the Scratch programme.

PHSE

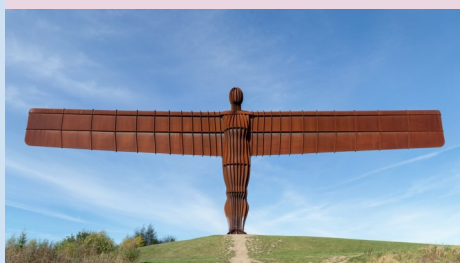
This term the children will be working through the caring and responsibility unit. they will look at how our care needs change and the effects of loneliness and isolation, including ways in which we can show care in the community. We are hoping to go to some local care homes to sing carols towards the end of the term.

Art Week

In our foundation week this term, the focus will be Art. During this week, we will be first be looking at famous sculpture by Anthony Gormley—the Angel of the North. We will be planning and designing our own sculpture as well as developing our cutting and joining skills using wire, coils, strips and paste.

We will also be using at the 'The Wave' painting by Hokusai. We will be using a variety of drawing techniques to add effects (e.g. shadows, hatching and cross-hatching) and to depict movement and perspective.

During these lessons, we will also be creating a colour palette whilst using a range of paints , including watercolours and acrylics.



Maths

This term we will be finishing our unit on multiplication and division by learning short division (including remainders) and then recognizing written problems which require both written and mental methods for multiplication and division. We will then move onto learning about measurement. This will include finding the area and perimeter, converting units of measurement and time.

Times table ninjas will continue this year so we will be practicing the times tables in school weekly. At home, you could recite times tables as much as possible, including using quick-fire questions to keep them on their toes!

Useful Vocabulary

multiples, factors, common factors, prime numbers, square numbers, cube numbers, perimeter, area, multiplication, cm, m, g, kg, hours, minutes, seconds, months, years.

Enjoy learning together and thank you
for your continued support