



Year 5 Newsletter

Term 1

What will be learning this term?

In Maths, we will be learning about number and place value. The children will look at the four operations and practise their rounding abilities - 5 and above round it up, 4 and below leave it alone!

In English, our learning will be based on two texts (Hansel and Gretel by Anthony Browne and a children's version of Macbeth). We will be making sure that we are secure in writing complex sentences and expanding our sentence writing abilities.

In Science, we will be learning about properties and changes of materials. We will be exploring mixtures and solutions, reversible and irreversible changes and evaporation. There will be lots of opportunities for hands-on learning this term!

Our big question this term in RE is, 'What does it mean if God is holy and loving?' We will be exploring this question through biblical texts and artwork.

In Computing, we will be learning about computing systems and networks. We will be focusing on sharing information.

During our PSHE lessons, we will be learning about families and relationships. We will have lots of class discussions on how to form positive relationships with others.

In History, we will be travelling back in time to study the ancient Mayan civilisation. We will make comparisons between their culture and ours.

During our French lessons, we will be learning how to say the names of common pets. We will then explore our understanding of how to express which pets we have, don't have and their names.

In PE lessons, we will be focusing on games and athletics.

For more information about what your child in learning this term, please visit: [Our Curriculum | Birchington Church of England Primary School](#)

Homework

Year 6	Homework Task	Day of the week set	Day of the week to be completed
Reading	Frequent reading (3-4 times a week minimum).	-	-
Times Table practise	Play at least one game of Times Tables Rockstars or practise times tables in your Home Learning book.	Friday	Wednesday
Spelling	Play games on Spelling Shed or practise spellings in your Home Learning Book.	Friday	Wednesday
Home Learning task	Choose one or more of the other tasks in the Home Learning grid to complete.	Friday	Wednesday

Dates for your diary



First day - Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Tuesday 16th September - Flu vaccinations

October - Black History Month

Tuesday 2nd October - Poetry Day

Thursday 9th October - Harvest Celebration

Wednesday 15th October - Come and See

Last day of term - Friday 17th October 2025

First day of Term 2 - Monday 3rd November

If you have a concern about your child's learning, please initially speak to their teacher at the end of the day or contact the Phase Leader email to arrange a meeting or phone call. For more information about SEND, please visit: [SEND | Birchington Church of England Primary School](#)