



# Year 5 Newsletter

## Term 2

### What will be learning this term?

In Maths, we are focusing on adding and subtracting using our understanding of place value and roman numerals. We will also be multiplying up to 4 digits by 2 digits using the column method and dividing using the bus stop.

In English, our learning will be based on the text Dragon Mountain by Katie and Kevin Tsang. We will be starting the term by recapping some key skills such as: apostrophes for contraction, apostrophes for possession and the use of homophones (their, there and they're).

In Science, we will be exploring living things and their habitats. We will learn to describe the differences in life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. We will also describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

Our RE lessons will be based on Incarnation. We will develop our understanding of why the Jewish people hoped for a messiah and what they expected the messiah to be like.

During our Music lessons, we are learning about the key features of Blues music.

In Computing, we will be learning how to create vector drawings.

During our PSHE lessons, we will be focusing on health and wellbeing: healthy eating, dental health and relaxation techniques.

In Geography, we will be following expanding our learning on mountains to include the unpredictable nature of volcanoes.

During our French lessons, we will be learning how to talk about our homes.

In PE lessons, we will be focusing on ball games.

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

## Homework

Year 5	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

We will no longer be using SATs Companion.

## Dates for your diary



Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 - Speech and Language coffee morning 9am-10am

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026 - Report cards sent home

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026 - Road Safety Workshops

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - Number Day

W/c Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - Come and See

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - Last day of term

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](#)