

Children in Year 4 & 5

By the end of the Year 5 children should:

know all their tables up to and including 12x tables.

be able to add & subtract: Numbers with more than 4 digits using efficient written method (column). up to 2 decimal places.

multiply & divide : 4 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers.

be able to read unfamiliar texts using a range of strategies and then draw inferences and justify with evidence from the text.

vary their voice for direct or indirect speech

be able to add phrases to make sentences more precise & detailed.

write using paragraphs that are linked.

use range of sentence openers - judging the impact or effect needed.

use brackets, dashes and commas to mark clauses.

use interesting language and be able to spell a range of words

Homework & PE Days

English: All children should read for at least 15 minutes daily. Please talk to your child about what they have read and sign the reading record.

Maths: Children need to be learning their times tables throughout the year.

Every fortnight on Friday, children will be given 'Signposts' homework. There will be two or three topic headings and children are asked to show what they know or what they can find out about each of the headings. Homework will be given out on alternate Fridays and due in on the Tuesday - date shown on the sheet.

Here is a helpful reminder for the week:

Daily: Reading records and books

Tuesday: PE kit
Homework returned to school
Tables assessment

Wednesday: Art apron needed Spelling test

Thursday: P.E. kit

Friday: Home work goes home fortnightly

Your child will need their named PE kit, including blue/black shorts, white t-shirt and trainers and for safety reasons please remember that long hair needs to be tied back and earrings should not be worn on PE days. If it is outdoor games we are likely to go out when it is cold/damp so appropriate jogging bottoms and fleece/top will be needed. Please ensure all these items are named.

Chaffinch Learning Team



Autumn 2016



Learning together for life!

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Meet the staff

Mr Jones and Mrs Millington are the teachers in Chaffinch class.
Mrs Williams and Ms Harvey are the teaching assistants in our class.

We are always happy to help. Make an appointment to come and see us after school if you have a problem. We hope all children have an enjoyable time in Chaffinch class.

Themes for the Autumn Term

We will start the term with a celebration of the 100th birthday of author Roald Dahl, exploring his life and work, which gives us a chance to get to settle into the new term and get used to our expectations and routines in class.

We will then be moving onto a study of the Vikings which will run for the rest of the term, covering the struggle for the rule of England up to 1066. We will also be studying materials in science and Hinduism in RE.

On Wednesdays, Mrs Millington will teach the class. In the afternoon, she will lead Art and D&T and Spanish.

You can help by:

- talking to your children daily about what they have been learning;
- maybe pay a visit to the British Museum to look at their Saxon and Viking artefacts, including the Lewis chess pieces.
- Keeping a bedtime story going to really enhance children's understanding of more difficult texts. It's the BEST way to create great writers.
- Helping them with their homework and remembering what they need to bring to school every day.

Health and Attendance

Regular attendance at school is vital for your child's education. If your child is absent from school for any reason school needs to know. Please telephone the school by 9.15 a.m. on the first day of absence.

If medicine is prescribed, arrangements can only be made for administration in school if the dosage is x4 daily. Parents are asked to complete a request form and all medicines must be handed to the office, in the original packaging clearly labelled with date, contents, pupil's name and dosage.

We do expect all children to bring their reading book and reading record book to and from school daily in a dedicated book bag

Spellings – YELLOW spelling folder

Spellings linked to spelling rules and patterns and word work in class will be **sent home on a Thursday** and will be **assessed in class the following Wednesday**.

Children will also receive a list of times tables or division facts they are working on. These will be tested on a **Thursday** and new lists sent home on **Friday** afternoon.