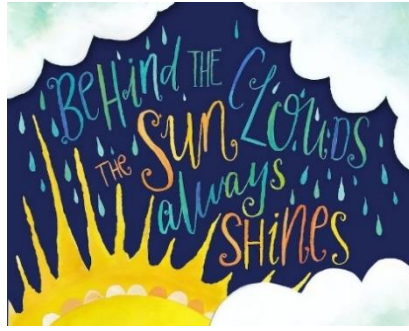


Welcome to Year 5



The Year 5 team would like to take this opportunity to welcome the children and their families to this new school year. We have been so excited for September and to embrace the new curriculum that the whole school have been working so hard on before the summer holidays. It focuses on the big question **'How can we make a difference?'** and we are already impressed with the suggestions the children in Year 5 have put forward. Some of their project ideas will make such a difference to our school, local and wider community – we cannot wait to share! Each subject across the curriculum will have a key question, which we will explore and return to every session. The world seems to be taking a step in the right direction and we have everything crossed it continues, so that we can explore, investigate, learn and have so much fun altogether! Please watch our video re our curriculum launch if you have not already had the chance to do so –

SPCEDS Curriculum Launch - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lskABf9UPnU>

What a wonderful team we have too!

Y5EW: Emma Weatherhill

Y5IN: Imogen Norris

Y5KB: Kim Bird

William Hammersley working on his initial teacher training with Y5KB.

Ella Simpson our Higher Level Teaching Assistant.

Francesca Larsson, Tracie Loveridge, Michelle Dempsey, Sam Williams and Julie Carson our Learning Support Assistants.

At lunchtime we have the incredible support of Louise Decamps, Sarah Vaughn and Michelle Dempsey.

Each Tuesday afternoon will be the class teacher's designated planning, preparation and assessment (PPA) time. The children will experience specialist teaching across the following subjects: French with Ella Simpson, PE with Anthony Horton and Music with Rachel Winfield. They have already been getting to know the children at the start of term with us.

If you ever have any questions please come and talk to us on the door at the start or end of the day, email us via the year group email Y5@spaldingparish.lincs.sch.uk, follow our journey on Twitter @Y5SPCEDS and keep up to date of what has been happening across school in 'The Parish Post'.

PE Days/Kits

We continue to ask the children to come ready in their PE kits on their PE days. Just as with our school uniform, we ask that the children come in the appropriate PE kit as listed below. We are hoping to again

take part in sport festivals and tournaments with other classes in school and schools across our Sport's Cluster so it is important that we are ready to represent our school.

For your child's safety please can you make sure that there are no earrings in your child's ears on these days.

Tuesday: Outdoor PE

Outdoor Kit: As indoor kit plus tracksuit for colder weather (tracksuit to be dark colours).

Wednesday: Indoor PE

Indoor Kit: Purple or white T Shirt (plain), navy blue or black shorts (plain), plimsolls or trainers.

Reading Rambles, GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) and Maths Meanders Books

For the children's Home Learning, we will be setting challenges in the three books listed above. We ask that the children take responsibility for this, engage and talk to you about it. Time will be available in school if it is needed as we know sometimes there are just not enough hours in the day – especially with important family time to be had!

Our class story this term is **The Thousand Year Old Boy** by Ross Welford and we have already had a fantastic debate about whether we would want to be 11 years old forever? We are very excited for the reading already taking place.

Local Community

We are very keen to develop and foster links with the local community. When you have read our Curriculum Overview for Year 5, if there are any contacts you have which would help support the children in Year 5 further we would love to hear about them. If you have time to support in some way, please let us know.

Finally, we would like to share the key events coming up in the next two terms.

Key Events coming up in Term 1:

Monday 13th September: Roald Dahl Day: <https://www.roalddahl.com/> (To be celebrated in school on Friday 17th September).

Friday 1st October: National Poetry Day – Theme Choice

Key Events coming up in Term 2:

Monday 8th November – Friday 12th November: Maths Week: <https://mathsweekengland.co.uk/>

Friday 12th November: Children in Need

Sunday 14th November: World Diabetes Day

W/B 15th November: Anti-Bullying Week (remember your odd socks or colourful tights).

Friday 10th December: Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your continued support and engagement throughout your child's learning journey. We cannot wait to share the exciting learning which will be taking place in Year 5. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if we can support in any way.

The Year 5 Team