



5K Mrs Nock –  
Rundell class

# Year 5 Newsletter - Term 4

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Sachar class



We hope the children and their families had a lovely half term; we are so excited to begin another exciting term of learning.

## Humanities - History

During this term's History unit, the children will be studying 'How do we know so much about the Ancient Greeks?'. We will be exploring Ancient Greek civilizations. This will involve learning about the Trojan War, Spartans and Athenians and even exploring the origins of The Olympic Games.

## Maths

Term 4, the children will be focusing on consolidating their place value knowledge, linking with fractions, percentage and decimals. Please continue to support your child with their times tables knowledge. We will also be introducing the units perimeter and area (linking with our multiplication unit) and statistics.

## Science

This term, our unit on Space gives the children an opportunity to star-gaze by learning more about the Earth and the celestial bodies in our solar system. Starting with an exploration of each planet - from Mercury to Neptune – the children will be exploring how scientific ideas surrounding Earth's movement and placement have changed and developed over time. The children will complete various tasks to deepen their understanding of the Moon, time zones and the night and day cycle.

## Reading

Reading is at the heart of everything we do at Kingsnorth. We use children's AR ranges to support them in choosing suitable books from the library, while also encouraging them to pick books outside of their range for enjoyment. Hearing your child read regularly and signing their reading logs is crucial for their progress. Please ensure your child's reading log is signed at least 3 times a week.

Please speak to us if you are concerned that your child is not enjoying reading or making the progress you'd expect as we want to make sure everyone is getting the support they need.

During Shared Reading sessions, we will be looking at the text 'The Adventures of Odysseus' by Daniel Morden and Hugh Lupton. Like last term, there will be a large focus on building the children's reading fluency and expression, as well as looking at vocabulary and language choices made by the author.

## Dates to remember

- 04.03.25 – Author visit and book signing
- 06.03.25 – World Book Day & Book swap event
- 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> March – Book Fair
- 13.03.25 – 5N Class Assembly
- 14.03.25 – PFA NSU day
- 21.03.25- PFA School Disco
- 25.03.25 – Class Photos
- 28.03.25 – Reports to parents
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Parent Consultations
- 04.04.25 – NSU day
- 04.04.25 – End of Term:13.30 finish

As usual, if you have any questions or queries, please ask any of the Year 5 staff team and we will be very pleased to help you. Our email address is:

[year5@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk](mailto:year5@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk)

## English

This term we will be creating our own graphic novels. We will have mini lessons with the focus on how to write openings and endings to our stories, how to write and punctuate a conversation between characters, and how to use body language to convey what a character is like, how they are feeling or what they are really thinking. As always, there will be a focus on handwriting and spelling, and we would appreciate your support of helping your child practise their weekly spellings. These have been set on SpellingShed which the children should be accessing as part of their homework.

## Religious Education

In R.E, we will explore the over-arching question 'What did Jesus do to save human beings?' We will be using the Lent term to explore what this question means to Christians and how they demonstrate their beliefs. There will be many opportunities to explore how these ideas relate to life in society today.

## Physical Education

Our 'PE Days' are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Girls and boys change in separate rooms. Their PE kit can be kept at school in a named drawstring bag. On Tuesdays, the children will be doing Football. On Thursdays, the children will be Swimming at the Stour Centre. Please bring correct swimming attire and towel in a named bag.