



5T Mr Taylor –  
Goodfellow Class

# Year 5 Newsletter - Term 6

5B Mrs Bowtell –  
Rundell Class



We hope the children and their families had a half term break; we are so excited for our final term of learning in Year 5.

**Upper school TA support team: Mrs Mummery, Mrs Bates, Mrs Dengate, Mrs Chinnery.**

## English

Our writing focus, this term is 'Advocacy and Journalism', this is where the children will support a chosen charity by producing a journalistic article. This is really important that the children complete the homework in support of this genre, without it, their writing will be baseless and not really fit for purpose. We would like this last piece of work to be their best in terms of imagination, grammar, punctuation and vocabulary..

## Maths

This term, the children will be focusing on consolidating their place value understanding but with decimals, converting units (again, using previous knowledge of multiplication and division), angles, comparing fractions and negative numbers. Alongside this, we will continue to develop our calculation processes and the use of bar models when applying this knowledge to worded problems.

## Science

This unit 'Animals, including humans' takes children through six lessons where they discuss the question: How do humans develop to old age?

The lessons have been written in sequence and are designed to challenge children to recall the knowledge and skills they have covered in the previous lesson(s). This is the seventh time children have explored the topic of animals including humans. It is closely linked with our PSHE unit of 'Changing Me' this term.

## Dates to remember

12<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day  
W/B 22<sup>nd</sup> June - 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations  
26<sup>th</sup> June - PFA Summer Disco  
3<sup>rd</sup> July - Reports Due Out  
17<sup>th</sup> July – Open Classrooms  
21<sup>st</sup> July School Finishes 1.30pm

## Reading

Reading is at the heart of everything that we do here at Kingsnorth.

Research shows that reading for pleasure is the single most important factor in a child's future successes and attainment. We are committed to this and have embedded a range of strategies in school in order to assure this.

Please continue to hear your child read 3 x a week and where possible, read texts to them. Please ensure reading records are signed.

In Shared Reading, we will be reading a new text called Wolf Brother, written by Michelle Paver, developing our retrieval and inference skills. We will also be studying why an author makes certain language choices and the impact this has on their reader.

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)

## Humanities - History

During this term's Geography unit we will be answering the question, 'Where am I?'

This term we revisit key geographer's skills – understanding compass points, grid references and ordnance survey symbols. Followed by an in-depth local study about how our local area has developed, taking note of human and physical features during fieldwork investigation.

## Religious Education

In R.E, we will carry on exploring the over-arching question 'What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?' This unit continues from term 5 focusing on how the Qur'an is used to provide guidance and advice, discuss places of worship and their key functions and explain how they link to the key beliefs of Muslims and finally, developing their ideas by beginning to discuss the similarities and differences between Islam and other world faiths.

## PSHE

The 'Changing me' puzzle piece allows children to understand that everyone is unique and special; children begin to express how they feel when change happens (These sessions will be taught separately to the boys and girls); understand and respect the changes that they see in themselves; Know who to ask for help if they are worried about change and finally look ahead to next year and what they are looking forward to.

## Physical Education

On Tuesdays, we will be doing athletics on the MUGA and field. On Thursdays, we will be doing netball in the playground.

We also look forward Sports Day on 12<sup>th</sup> June, hoping that the weather is kinder. The children the children will have an opportunity to take part in a variety of sports and 'fun races'.