



**5KH Mrs Knight & Mrs Hardwick
Rundell Class**

Year 5 Newsletter Term 1

Upper school TA support team: Mrs Mummery, Mrs Bates & Mrs Howard

Welcome to Year 5 and our newsletter for Term 1. We are so excited to begin working together to support the children's academic and personal growth over this next year. Year 5 is traditionally a year full of development and change and we are eager to begin the adventure. Whilst belonging to their class community remains central, children will have the opportunity to work with other adults across the year group.

Reading

Reading is at the heart of everything that we do here at Kingsnorth. Although we no longer do AR sessions in school, children we still be completing a STAR test to provide them with a range to support them when choosing what books to read in the library. Children are expected to read at least 3 times a week, with a signature from an adult. During our Shared Reading lessons, we will be looking at a range of genres, starting with *The Dam* by David Almond.

Maths

This term, we will be following **Oak Academy Maths**, focusing on place value, working with numbers up to 1,000,000, and developing our skills in addition and subtraction. We will use mathematical vocabulary, reasoning and problem-solving to explain our thinking and deepen our understanding.

Science

In Science this term we will be exploring **Earth and Space**. We will learn about the movement of the Earth, Moon and other planets in our solar system, discover how day and night occur, and explore how our understanding of space has developed over time.

Dates to remember:

09.09.26 - Meet the Teacher – 3.15
01.10.26 - Individual school photos
05.10.26 – KS2 Parent reading workshop
09.10.26 – PFA school disco
12.10.26 – Flu vaccinations
12.10.26 – KS2 Parent maths workshop
21st & 22nd Oct – Parent evening
23.10.26 – Last day of term

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

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Goodfellow Class**



Writing

In Writing, the children will explore **memoirs and explanation texts** through our **Writing for Pleasure** approach. They will draw on their own experiences to create engaging memoirs and develop their skills in writing clear, informative explanations for a reader.

Physical Education

Our 'PE Days' are on a Tuesday and Thursday. This year, children can come to school in PE kits. Throughout this term, we will be developing our tennis and cricket skills.

Religious Education

We begin our Year 5 RE by investigating the question 'Can God be both loving and holy?' This topic enables children to explore some characteristics of God and what we and Christians consider to be important. There are opportunities for discussion and creativity as well as more traditional writing.

Geography

During this term's Geography unit, the children will be studying Rivers. They will identify key features as well as thinking about who lives near them and why. Children will consider human and physical features and how rivers have impacted our local area.