

Welcome to Year 5

Staff for 2023/2024

Nightingales

Teacher:

Mrs Goodwin

TA: Mrs Baker (Tues, Weds), Mrs Dillon (Thurs, Fri)

Skylarks

Teacher:

Mrs Boyer

TAs: Mrs Warshawski (Mon, Weds, Fri), Mrs Wright (Tues am, Thurs am)

Home - School Diaries



We are encouraging your child to write in the title and number of page numbers read in the reading section of each week.

Please also tick that you have practiced the Maths Key Instant Recall facts (KIRFS).

Your child will be given regular spelling lists. The list will include one of the spelling rules for Year 5, examples of homophones and a list of National Curriculum spelling words. These must be practised at home to consolidate school-based learning.

There will be a new list stuck in the diary every three weeks. Testing will take place regularly and at random.

Spelling is one of our primary focuses this year. Your support will make all the difference!

PE Lessons will usually be on a TUESDAY afternoon.

Children **MUST** come to school dressed in full P.E. kit:

School PE Shorts

School PE T-shirt

School PE sweatshirt

Joggers (black)

Trainers (sturdy - not plimsolls)

Earrings must be removed for PE lessons NOT TAPED.

No other school uniform is required on a PE day.

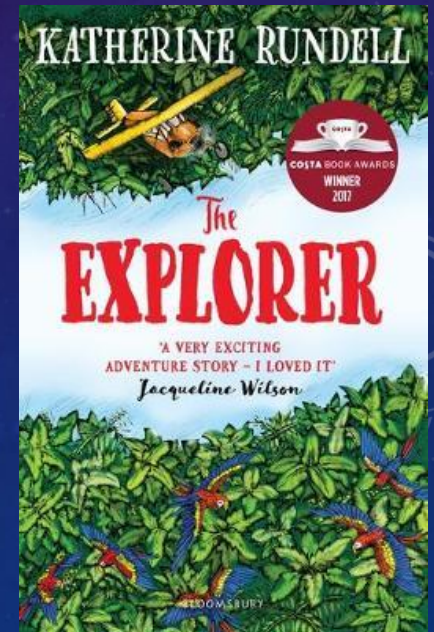
On other days, the children can choose to bring in a pair of trainers for outdoor activities to protect their school shoes as the weather changes!

Swimming will be on a FRIDAY. Please bring a towel, costume, hat and goggles. Booster swimming is on a Wednesday.

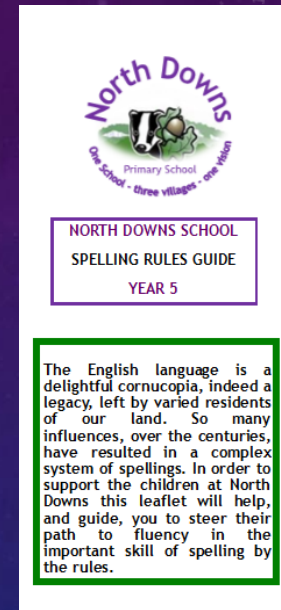
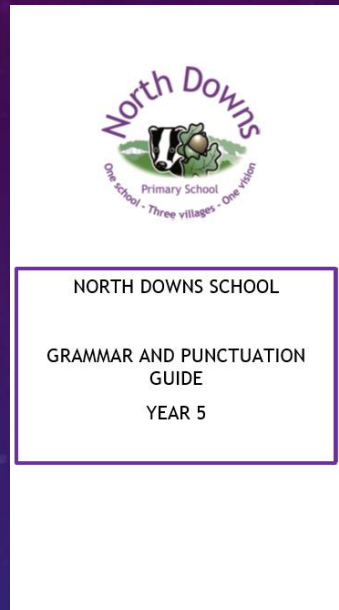
THE EXPLORER

This term, we will be concentrating on a cross curricular project linked to this adventure story where we will incorporate elements of English, Art & Design, Geography and Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC), as well as a trip to Wisley on Wednesday 11th October:

“The Explorer” by Katherine Rundell.



READING, GRAMMAR AND SPELLING



Reading: Children can bring a reading book from home and /or will be able to access a limited number of reading books in the classroom.

Recommended reading list:

<https://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Recommended+Reading+Lists&pid=344>

Spelling and Grammar guidance can be found on the school website:

<https://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=English&pid=426>

WRITING NON-NEGOTIABLES

THESE ARE THE MINIMUM END OF YEAR EXPECTATIONS FOR YEAR 5



Year 5

Writing Non-Negotiables (Minimum end of year expectations- New Curriculum)

2023-24

Grammar	Sentence Construction	Punctuation	Phonics (Letters and Sounds) & Spelling	Amount
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use pronouns to avoid repetition. ○ Use basic Standard English, i.e. agreement between verb & noun; consistency of tense. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Write complex sentences, selecting and using a wide range of subordinators. <i>Jack, filled with curiosity, asked the stranger about the magic beans. Meanwhile, Jack's mother was wondering how long it would be before he returned from market with some much-needed money.</i> ○ Use subordinate clauses to add extra information, to give reasons and to explain. ○ Start and join sentences with 'although' 'however' 'besides' 'even though'. ○ Begin to start sentences with adverbs. ○ Words with silent letters ○ Morphology /etymology ○ Awareness of audience. ○ Paragraphs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use Y4 punctuation marks to independently and accurately demarcate all sentences. ○ Use commas and hyphens to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing ○ Use a colon to introduce a list ○ Use of inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech: <i>"Now, young man," whispered the strange man, "how would you like to exchange your old cow for a handful of magic beans?"</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KS2 spelling objectives Statutory Year 5 word list and spelling rules. ○ Use dictionaries to check spelling and meaning of words ○ Use the first three or four letters of a word to look up words in a dictionary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 to 1 ½ sides of A4 in 45 minutes. ○ Handwriting is fluent and legible ○ Write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed by choosing which shape of a letter to use when given choices and deciding whether to join specific letters ○ Letters and words are usually appropriate in size and position



MATHS

Year 5 maths information can be found on the website –

<https://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Maths&pid=422>

Look for the Year 5 **KIRFS** (Key Instant Recall Facts) try to practise these daily **alongside reading**. Please tick in the column of the diary to show us that you have practised these.

Initially we will concentrate on the Autumn 1 KIRF based on Know multiplication & division facts for all times tables up to 12x12

There will be weekly times tables tests - (personalised). We will continue to use **Times Tables Rockstars**

We will be following the new White Rose Maths Scheme which was revised and updated last year.

Homework

At home, it is expected that the children continue to spend time on the following activities:

Times tables - to help improve your child's confidence in Maths, it is extremely important that they learning the times tables so that they have instant recall of key times tables facts.

Reading - we expect the children to read EVERY night. Please continue listening to your child read and encourage him/her to take note of punctuation, read with expression and, most importantly, understand the meaning of the text.

Spelling - the children are provided with regular spelling lists. These are to be found in their school diaries. Testing takes place regularly.

English / Topic and Mathematics - this will be given out on a Thursday and should be handed in by the following Tuesday at the latest. Homework tasks are primarily a reflection of work covered in school and children should be able to work independently. Should your child have difficulty, you are warmly encouraged to offer help but kindly note this at the foot of the homework or in the school diary. This will allow us to follow this up at school.

Further information

Forest school at Polands Wood has started for half the class this half term.

Skylarks on a Monday morning.

Nightingales on a Thursday morning.

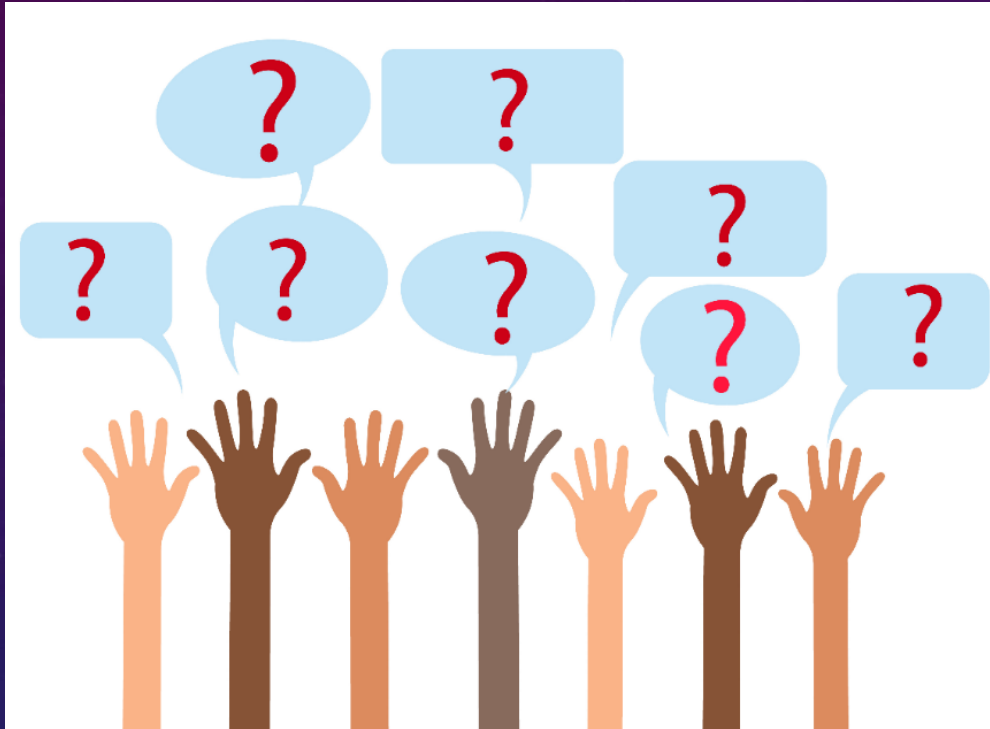
The rest of the class will have Forest School after October half term holiday.

School trip to Wisley on Thursday 11th October 2023.

Y5 will also be continuing their great work with Surrey Wildlife Trust by helping to establish a wild planting area with Y2 at Leigh on Monday 2nd October. More details to follow.

We are planning a second school trip on Monday 3rd June 2024 (the first day after the May half term holiday) at Juniper Hall Field Centre in Mickleham. Further details to follow later in the year!

Any Questions?



sometimes
YOU JUST
know it's
TIME
to start
SOMETHING
new and trust
THE MAGIC OF
new beginnings