

It is lovely to welcome all Year 5 parents and children back into school after so long. We are looking forward to working with you all to achieve fun and greatness this year!

Information about Year 5

Homework:

Maths and English homework will be given out on **Monday** and must be returned on Friday. Reading, spellings and times tables should be practised every night.

P.E. Timetable:

Class 5A: PE Monday and Friday (swimming lessons)

Class 5B: PE Tuesday and Wednesday

Class 5C: PE Wednesday and Friday

Please ensure that your child brings in a full PE kit to school labelled with their name and class. No jewellery is to be worn so please remove prior to school.

Uniform:

Children are expected to wear the correct school uniform including their blazers and ties.

Appointments:

Class Teachers are always happy to discuss your child. Just make an appointment via the year group email – Year5@jamescambellprimary.org.uk or you can contact us via Class Dojo.

English

In English, the children will be learning about Pandora's box. They will be exploring the motivations behind the characters' actions.. Children will then have the opportunity to write their own myth in the same style as this famous example. We will also use a range of techniques, such as video clips, pictures and drama to provide an appropriate stimulus to enable children to produce quality written work. Children will be taught to develop their reading skills. Strategies will be taught by their teacher through weekly guided reading, daily shared reading and read aloud sessions. Please sign the home reading record. All our reading books are online through Bug Club on Active Learn.co.uk. We will also be looking at instructions.

Spelling and Grammar

The children will continue to focus on a new spelling pattern every week and will learn how to use and apply these rules. They will continue to revise and master the Year 5 & 6 list of spellings. Whilst grammar lessons will focus on word classes, using punctuation and range of sentence types for effect.

Useful websites for spelling and grammar:

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/lookcover/lookcover.html>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/

Year 5: Autumn 1: Dagenham Village

The Wider Curriculum

◆ This half-term our topic is Dagenham Village. Children will gain a historical understanding of how and why the village grew as well as the history of the Becontree Estate. They will be exploring how we know about the past and reasons for change. We hope to support their learning with a visit to Valence House.

◆ In **DT**, the children will be looking at food from our community. How to prepare food and cook it. If you would like to help us please email us.

◆ In **Science** this half term, children will work on different materials. Investigating the particular use of everyday materials and being able to compare and group materials based on their properties.

◆ During **RE**, children will explore what inner forces we have and how these affect how we think and behave. Understanding that for some people faith can teach us to overcome temptation.

◆ In **PE** lessons children will have the opportunity to develop their skills in Gymnastics and Tag Rugby. 5A will also be attending swimming lessons at Abbey Leisure Centre this Autumn Term.

◆ In **ICT** we will be working with 'Scratch' to design and create a computer game. As well as looking at how we can be a good internet citizen.

◆ In **Spanish** children will learn how to read, write and say whether they have a pet or not and describe what the pet has and does not have.

◆ In **PSHE** we will be looking at the children's rights and responsibilities in the school and their community. Discussing the impact of behavior choices and how this affects different people.

Maths:

In Maths this half-term, the children will be taught to read, write and compare numbers up to a million. They will be taught to explain the value of each digit with a particular focus on zero as a place holder. In addition, children will be taught key vocabulary to assist them in understanding and explaining their ideas. Children will look at negative numbers in context and use this knowledge to solve problems. They will also be looking at Roman numerals and how they are used today. We will teach the children how to add and subtract four digit numbers. Using the inverse to check our answers and then applying this skill to solve multi step problems.

Children will also be taught to read and interpret line graphs. How to draw a line graphs and use line graphs to solve problems. We will also look at how to read and interpret a timetable. How a timetable can help us solve problems.

Please continue to practise times tables with your child so they are secure in their recall of the number facts. You can use Times table rock stars. There will be weekly tables tests in class.

Useful websites:

<https://uk.ixl.com/math/year5>

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/mentalmaths/mentalmachine2.html>

[TTRockstars](http://www.ttrockstars.com/)