



Welcome to Year 5, class of 2026/27.

I hope you all had a great Summer – the weather was kind however, it truly does feel Autumnal and as I type this, the drizzle is descending, albeit with a slightly muggy feeling in the air! We have lots of fun learning experiences planned across the coming year and meeting with them before the Summer holidays, I can already see what an amazing group of young people this class are! I am the Year 5 teacher, Mrs David and I am very excited to be working with your child!

Below is the learning outline for the 1<sup>st</sup> Autumn Half Term which will give you a brief idea of what is happening in the class, though I'm sure your child will also keep you up to date! Logins for Showbie will come home in the next couple of weeks. You can message on there but it is a group message system, so please direct anything individual about your child to Mrs Fraser - [dfraser@coppervalleyacademy.co.uk](mailto:dfraser@coppervalleyacademy.co.uk). Mrs Fraser will then reply to your email or send it in the correct direction.

Year 5 is a key year for your child – good attendance will make all the difference, along with any extra help & support you can give and for this, I thank you in advance! – Mrs David

## Supporting Your Child at Home

### Reading

Reading is such an essential skill and one that improves the more you practise. If you can find time to read regularly with your child it will have a great impact on their progress in many areas. It can help with spelling, grammar, absorbing new vocabulary, improved concentration and memory! We also currently continue to be subscribed to an online reading platform called Reading Eggs and the children can log in and use this at home. This is an expensive resource, so we must use it or we will lose it! Children can also read online books through 'Borrowbox'.

### Maths

Recalling times tables facts quickly is another essential skill and there are many ways to support this at home. The children can log in and use Mathletics & TTRockstars at home to improve this, as well as there being loads of free online games such as Hit the Button. Please contact me if you need new copies of student log ins for any of the above.



### PE

Fridays will be Year 5's main PE day, with a focus on dance, health & fitness this term. Children should come into school dressed in their school PE kit (no hoodies) on a Friday. Further information will be sent home about after-school clubs.



### Curriculum

Our main History topic for the Autumn 1 half term is the Vikings, where we will learn why the Vikings came to Britain, how important trade was and the impact the Viking invasions and settlements had, using various historical sources. In Science, we will be learning all about Forces and in Computing, we will be finding out about search engines. This half term, we will have a DT focus, where we will be investigating structures and building bridges. In French, we will be learning how to describe ourselves and the PSHE topic is called, 'Being Me'. In RE, we will be investigating the question, 'What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving?'. In English, we will be beginning by writing a non-chronological report about dragons, along with developing our reading, grammar and spelling skills and in Maths we will begin with a unit on place value followed by building on our efficient use of the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).



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