

Spring

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the new school term! We hope you all had a great break and are re-energised for the spring term. Our overall topic for the first half term is Space. Many aspects of the curriculum will be linked to this topic.

English - The children will be creating a setting description about a fictional planet, focusing on improving their grammar skills and vocabulary. They will then move on to create a character for that setting, before producing a narrative text that includes their previous ideas.

Maths - Our focus in maths will be multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages and converting between them.

Science - This half term, year 5 will be learning about space in their science lessons. We will learn about the orbits and rotation of the planets and how this affects days, years and seasons. We will also learn about the phases of the moon.

D.T. & Music - We will research and design a moving toy using simple mechanisms. In music, we will begin with space themed music such as Gustav Holst's 'The Planets' and use this to build upon musical skills and knowledge including creating our own compositions.

History/Geography - In geography this half term, year 5 will learn about rivers - how they are formed and how the water cycle impacts physical and human geography.

PSHME - In our PSHME lessons, we will learn about our environment, the world around us, how we can reduce our carbon footprint and reduce emissions.

RE
Year 5 will be learning about Hindus and their pilgrimage practices.

ICT
In Computing, we will use Google Drawings to investigate vector drawings and understand that they are made up of shapes and lines.

MFL
Our Spanish focus is comparisons such as taller, shorter, slower, faster. We will use this new vocabulary to help describe previous topics e.g. animals.

P.E.
Outdoor PE will be football - hopefully resulting in a fun year group tournament. Our indoor PE lessons will work on our yoga skills. All classes will then move on to a gymnastics unit.

Thank you for all your continued support!

From your Year 5 team: Ms Thompson (Cassowary Class), Ms Ikiz and Ms Cosin (Heron Class) and Mr Ingram (Macaw Class)



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Please read with your child every day at home (10-15 minutes) and where possible from a variety of texts. Please ensure that their reading books and Me books come to school in book bags every day.

Heron PE days:

Friday (indoor) & Monday (outdoor)
Please come to school wearing appropriate clothing for PE (trainers, leggings/ shorts/ tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt, sweatshirt or hoodie).

Year 5 Home learning:

We will post tasks onto Weduc weekly. We encourage children to try their best and use this opportunity to show off their skills! It contains:

- A reading task on BugClub
- A maths and grammar task on Sumdog
- Spellings to practise

There will be a half termly project, due in the last week of the half term.

Me Books

We are also sending home a 'Me book' in which to complete weekly activities. There is a grid of nine activities to complete, and you can choose which activity to complete each week. We would like our children to bring in their Me books weekly, and we will share our fabulous learning once a fortnight.

Trips:

This term, year 5 will travel to Creekside Discovery Centre to explore our river topic. Booking dependent, we also intend to visit a local mosque at some point this spring to support our RE learning.

Lost Property

Children are encouraged to look after their belongings. If an item of clothing is found with no name on it, the item will be taken to lost property for the children to collect in the playground at the end of the day.

Getting in Touch!

If you have a question, concern or query, please email the office at info-BG@brindisheschools.org and your email will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff.