

# YEAR FIVE NEWSLETTER

## SUMMER TERM 1

### 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,  
Welcome back after the Easter break. Year Five have started the beginning of the term positively; a great hard working first week back! This newsletter provides you with information for the term ahead.

**Mr McCance teaches Year Five every Thursday.** Week beginning Monday 8th May, Mr. McCance will be teaching Year Five in the mornings, while I support Year Six during SATs week.

Remember your  
water bottle  
daily!

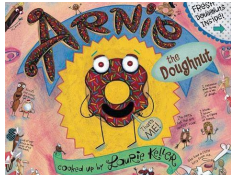


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#### Literacy

This half term's literacy book stimulus is: 'Arnie the Doughnut'. The book is humorous and the children have thoroughly enjoyed reading about Arnie's adventures! They have started to innovate the characters, in preparation for writing their own stories. Year Five work hard to apply the grammar focus into their writing and enjoy being creative.



#### Curriculum

**This term our topic is titled: 'Groundbreaking Greeks'.** This project teaches children about developments and changes over six periods of ancient Greek history, focusing on the city state of Athens. They will explore the lasting legacy of ancient Greece.

**DT** - The children will learn about how architectural style and technology has developed over time and then use this knowledge to design a building with specific features.

**Science** - Children will learn about animal life cycles, including the human life cycle. They will explore human growth and development to old age, including the changes experienced during puberty and human reproduction.

**ART** - To celebrate the King's Coronation Year Five will focus on printing and weaving techniques linked to the Coronation theme.

#### Reading

In addition to guided reading, where children read aloud to adults and discuss a range of questions, children read their books as regularly as possible and we use the online reading program 'Reading Plus'. We encourage pupils to complete tasks at home as well as in school.

**Friday 5th May**  
**Whole school**  
**Coronation**  
**Celebration.**



**Children can**  
**come to school**  
**wearing red,**  
**white and blue.**

**Spellings** - The children take part in regular spelling sessions. They participate in activities which cover different spelling patterns and are encouraged to apply these in their writing.

#### Home Learning

We are continuing with the Home Learning format where tasks are set on a Friday and handed in the following Friday. The children are responding well to the choices and it is always a pleasure to share and celebrate their work. It amazes me how imaginative and creative some of the work has been. Well done, Year Five!

#### P.E.

Our PE lessons will continue to take place on a **Tuesday afternoon** and an additional session on a **Thursday afternoon** this term. Please remove earrings on P.E. days. This half-term the children are focusing on cricket with Mrs Fisher and rounders with Mr. McCance.



**Monday 18th May - class trip to the Museum of Science and Industry.** Letters will be sent home soon. The children will have the opportunity to travel to Manchester by train/tram and spend the day at the museum, taking part in a range of science activities.



**Class Rewards** - Year Five are continuing to work hard. The children are rewarded with raffle tickets and signatures.

**Class Recognition Wall** - We also have a recognition wall. A target is discussed and chosen with the children each day. Children's names are placed on the wall once an adult has recognised the positive behaviour linked to the target.

If you have any questions please feel free to message me on Class Dojo or email [k.arnfield@newmills-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:k.arnfield@newmills-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk).  
Many thanks for your continued support.