

Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School

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Learning for life with God as our guide

CLASS 5 NEWSLETTER



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



Terms 3 and 4 2026

It's been an incredibly busy term in Class 5! In English, we have enjoyed all of the texts we have explored together, including Icarus (resulting in some fantastic art work!) and finishing with the Vikings as a newspaper report. Maths has been a long (and sometimes challenging) journey into the world of multiplication, division and fractions – we have all showed true resilience when mastering the tricky bits. In our History and Geography topics, we have thoroughly enjoyed "Oceans" (including a trip to the Seafront) and The Tudors. We are a very curious class and ask insightful questions that foster conversations and debates. Computing has had us creating programmes using Micro:bits and laptops, including a pedometer, with much success and enthusiasm; and covering the Recovery Position and other "Healthy Me" topics in PSHE which the children have really enjoyed. In Science we have explored Animals including Humans and Forces (and the very fun 'Egg Drop Air Resistance' lesson).

Class 5 have had our class trip to Dover Castle and we have been to the library and the church for Easter as a whole class. Forest School has also been a highlight again in Terms 3 and 4. We have many exciting lessons and activities planned for the final two terms!



Homework

Homework is set on a Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday.

Tasks are designed to extend and consolidate the themes covered in class. There will usually be a Maths or English challenge and another activity linked to our on-going topics.

Your support with this is much appreciated. Children that complete and return get a sticker and 5 house points.

P.E.

We have covered gymnastics and dance skills in Rock 'n' Roll,

Mayan and Chinese Dragon styles. Next term we will be learning about key skills for Tennis.

We have two PE lessons each week, on a Monday & Wednesday. For health and safety reasons, it is very important that your child has a suitable kit to change into for these activities. Please ensure this is school PE kit and



Reading

The children in Key Stage 2 are all given a reading book that is matched to their Accelerated Reader level. We assess this termly and adjust the choice of their books accordingly. As the books are different lengths, the children can return them when finished and select a new book to take home. Additionally, they have their library book at school which they can read. Alongside their reading book, they have a purple reading record that is for you (and them) to record every time your child reads at home. They should be reading 5-10 minutes a day at home to ensure they have the reading skills necessary.

Every time your child brings their purple reading book in on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that week, they get a smelly sticker and 5 house points, plus a raffle ticket for a chance to win a termly book bundle!

Contact

Please feel free to contact by email – I will always endeavour to reply as soon as possible.

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Super Learning in Class 5



Thank you for your continued support!

Miss C Race