

Spring Term in 5B

Welcome Back to Handford Hall!



Dear Parents, Carers and Class members of 5B,

I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break and are ready to find out what we are going to be learning this term.

English and Maths

In **English**, our topics will include short stories, reference texts, stories on a theme and debates.

In **Maths**, we will be focusing on decimals and fractions, methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and shape.

Our other topics this term:

- **Our IPC topic is MIGRATION: Moving People**
- **Science: Properties and changes of materials**
- **RE: Will continue to be taught through whole days focused on specific world religions.**
- **PE: Gymnastics, hockey and cricket**

PE kit: Our days for PE are Mondays and Thursdays. Children must have their PE kit in school on these days. There may be other days when we choose to do PE, so it is important that PE kits stay in school every day. For outdoor PE, the children will need their winter PE kit (dark coloured tracksuit trousers and a jumper). In Year 5, **trainers** are preferred choice of footwear as they are suitable for all weathers rather than plimsolls. We also advise children have a separate carrier bag for muddy shoes.



Homework:

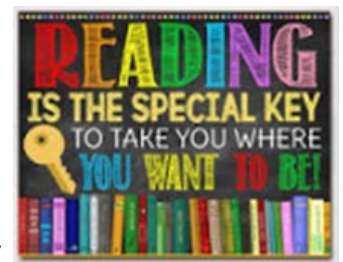
Reading: Children in Year 5 are expected to read every night for 20-30 minutes.

Learning Logs: They will be sent home on Fridays and returned by the following Thursday. Please keep these in good condition and maintain high standards of writing and presentation.

Times Table Rock Stars: Online times table programme accessed through <https://trockstars.com/login>. Your child will have their log in details inside their reading journal.

How to support your child?

- Ensure your child is reading their reading books at home and discuss these with them, so that they are ready to mind map and quiz at school.
- Discuss learning logs tasks (ensuring high standards of writing and presentation).
- Ensure your child knows their times tables off by heart
- Ensure your child knows the meaning of their spelling words as well as spelling rules (if applicable).



School Uniform: We take pride in our appearance. Please remember to ensure that your child comes to school every day wearing correct uniform. This includes suitable black shoes, not trainers.

Please ensure all items of clothing are named with your child's name. All children need school book bags rather than rucksacks due to limited space.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to come and see me at the end of the school day, or alternatively arrange a telephone call through the office.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Blake
Class Teacher