

Year 5 Autumn Term

Meet the team

Miss McIntyre
5 MM Teacher

Mr Toon
5 JT Teacher

Miss Beal
Year 5 TA

Mrs Kirk
Year 5 TA, Nurture support and ELSA

Parents evenings:
Tuesday 14th
October 2025
Wednesday 15th
October 2025

Upcoming school trips:

Autumn Term
Panto visit 10th
December 2025

Spring Term
Mount Cook
Residential 23rd-
24th March 2026

Summer Term
National Coal
Mining Museum –
Wakefield
Date TBC



We hope you have had a fantastic summer break and would like to wish you all a warm welcome back to school for what we hope will be an exciting year filled with lots of new learning!

English

In English, we will start the term by using the short film *'The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore'* as inspiration for our writing. The children will focus on developing their narrative writing skills and will then plan and create their own independent stories.

Reading

We will explore reading this year using a wide selection of engaging, high-quality texts. Children will be encouraged to apply a range of skills to help them understand and interpret the texts in greater depth. We kindly ask that your child continues to read at least three times a week and records these in their reading diary, which should be signed by an adult weekly. We are also planning to introduce a new reward system to celebrate children who regularly read at home. We are also excited to launch Battle of the Books in our class book club slots in order to continue to promote a love of books.

Maths

In Maths, we begin with place value where children will be developing their understanding of numbers to one million. We will then move on to securing written methods for adding and subtracting numbers with more than 4-digits.

We will continue to use Times Table Rock Stars to promote learning times tables. In addition, we will be using Maths Shed to set assignments. A copy of the log in for this can be found in your child's diary.

Spellings

Each week, we will focus on a new spelling rule, drawing from both the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 word lists. To help reinforce this learning, we encourage you to practise spellings with your child at home. Spellings will be stuck in diaries every Friday.

Wider Curriculum

In science, we will study Earth and Space, learning about the solar system, as well as forces and their effects. Children will use enquiry skills throughout. We teach History and Geography in alternate half terms. This term's focus is Geography, exploring the Alps. In History, children will compare the Vikings and Romans. Our PSHE topics for this term cover Inclusion and Acceptance, Being Responsible, and Anger.

PE

Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct school uniform or PE kit each day. PE kit should be long, black trousers (jogging bottoms/ leggings) or black shorts (weather dependent), a white or blue t-shirt and an outdoor jumper.

PE will be taught on a Tuesday and Friday for the first half term. The children should come to school dressed in the correct PE kit. The first sports for Year Five will be dodgeball and hockey.

Keep in touch

Finally, we are here to support you as much as the children! Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you have. For non-urgent messages please use class Dojo but for matters requiring an instant response please contact the school office.

Key things to remember

Please remember to send your child with a healthy snack each day or sign up for snacks through school money. Crisps and chocolate-based bars are not considered healthy. We are a completely nut free school.

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school at all times – they will need to refill these at lunch time as we have a new water dispenser in the school hall.

Please ensure all uniform / PE kit / belongings are named to prevent items going missing.

Your child needs a sensible coat and footwear to suit the weather.