

# Year 5 - Newsletter

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*“Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world.”*

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- Nelson Mandela

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The Year 5 team would like to wish everyone a happy New Year and warmly welcome everyone back to Low Road and Windmill Music Federation for the first term of spring. We have had an excellent first term and have an exciting start to the New Year planned!

## Staffing

### Windmill

**5B** – Miss Burton & Miss Mitchell

**5M** – Miss McDermott & Miss Pereira

### Low Road

**5D** – Mr. Doherty & Mrs. Shinde

## Uniform

Our pupils are looking very smart in their uniforms. Now that we are experiencing colder and wetter weather, please ensure that your child has a jumper or cardigan and indoor pumps. They also require a warm outdoor PE kit. They are permitted to wear tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie of the correct colour. Coats are not allowed during PE sessions but hats are.

## Science

Our topic for this half term is,  
Properties of materials!

We will be partaking in various practical investigations to learn about the properties of materials. This will include thermal conductors/insulators, electrical conductors/insulators, how sound travels through materials and how they can absorb liquids.

## Geography

Our topic for this half term is:

Year 5: The Alpine Region

### School Trip

We are delighted to inform you that Year 5 are going on an educational visit to the Yorvik Centre for our Vikings Topic. This trip will take place in Spring 2 (March & April). We will be sending out more information (dates, activities & more) over the coming weeks.

## Homework

There will be a new homework grid, with a Science and Topic focus, uploaded to Google Classroom. Children are expected to self-select activities from the grid to complete throughout the half term. This work can be brought into school on paper or photos can be uploaded to Google Classroom.

Homework will be set on a Friday and due in the following Friday.

In Year 5, it is important for all children to be secure in their times tables. Due to this, we encourage all children to spend some time on ttrackstars at home.

If you need a new google classroom login or Ttrackstars login please speak to your child's class teacher.

## Maths

During this term, Year 5 will be continuing their fractions topic.. Following this, we will be moving onto our second multiplication & division topic.

## Swimming

Last term, Year 5 pupils continued to make excellent progress in the pool and were a credit to the Music Federation.

Swimming times will remain the same for this half term.

Low Road 5D – Wednesday 12.30pm

Windmill 5B- Friday at 9.00 am

Windmill 5M – Friday at 10.30am

Please ensure that your child brings their swimming kit and a towel on their designated swim day.

## English

This half-term in Year 5, we will be using figurative language and suspense to write a narrative based on the short film, ‘The Lighthouse.’

Following this, we will be writing a persuasive letter to Mr. Gamble and a balanced argument on ‘Is Tik-Tok suitable for children.’

## PE

In PE, we will be improving our hand & eye co-ordination by learning how to play tag-rugby.