



Our Year 5 Classroom News

Autumn Term Information

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Welcome

Hello and welcome to all of our new Year 5 children and parents. We are very excited for next year and are looking forward to working with you all.

We kick-start Year 5 with our Autumn term topic called **Fabulous Pharaohs** where we will be exploring the world of Ancient Egypt.

Miss Gough, Miss Paterson, Miss Potter and the team

Our Topic

Over the course of the Autumn term, we will explore these exciting learning questions:

- Can I place Ancient Egypt on a timeline?
- Where in the world is Egypt?
- Can I describe the features of the landscape?
- What is written on the walls of Tut's Tomb?
- What is mummification?
- What is the belief behind the After Life?
- Why so many gods?
- What was the social order of things?
- Hieroglyphs – what does it all mean?
- Designing a death mask
- Everyday life – what was it like?
- Modern day Egypt?



In English, we will be writing stories, poems, and descriptive settings, letters and non-chronological reports. We will also be using drama to explore themes.

In Maths, we will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, measures (area and perimeter), geometry (shapes) and fractions.

In Science, we will learn all about materials, by identifying their purposes, features and uses. We will also compare and group materials and will investigate how some materials dissolve in liquids to make solutions.

Things to Remember

PE and Swimming:

Year 5 PE days are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. They will need their Indoor PE kit/swimming kit on a Tuesday and their outdoor kit on a Thursday.

The table below shows which term each class has their swimming lessons.

Year 5 Swimming Lessons	
Wimbledon	Tuesday PM - Summer term
Farringdon	Tuesday PM - Autumn term
South Ken	Tuesday PM - Spring term

Homework:

- Each Friday the children will be set a **reading journal task**, which will be due in on Monday
- The children are expected to **read for at least 20 minutes each day** and record this in their reading record (at the back of reading journals)
- Every week the children will complete a **times table task** in their workbooks.
- Each term, the children will be set a **topic project**.

Important Dates

5 th Sept	Children back to school
7 th Sept	Launch Day
11 th Sept	Meet the Teacher at 9am, KS2 Hall
8 th Oct	British Museum Trip (Wimbledon and Farringdon)
17 th and 18 th Oct	Parents Evening
12 th Nov	British Museum Trip (South Ken)
18 th and 19 th Dec	Y4 and 5 Christmas Production

10 th Oct	Wimbledon class assembly
13 th Feb	South Kensington class assembly
22 nd May	Farringdon class assembly