



Healey Foundation Primary School

Y5 - Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 2025

Welcome to Year 5! Here are our topics for this term.

Literacy

We will be using Ancient Greek myths as a stimulus for much of our writing this term, which will link with our History topic.

Each Monday, the children will receive a spelling list and a piece of spelling homework. The children will have a spelling test **the following Monday**. Please encourage your child to practise them.

Numeracy

Y5 will be focusing on place value and addition and subtraction for the majority of the term. We will be working with numbers up to 1,000,000 and learning how to partition and read pictorial representations of numbers. The children will have a login to the Mathletics website where they can practise the skills they have been learning in class at home.

PE is on **Monday and Friday**. The children will need their PE kit on both these days. The PE kit is a white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers.

Geography/History

Throughout the year we will alternate each half term between Geography and History. This half term we will be studying the Ancient Greeks. In Art, we will be creating a range of Ancient Greek art using a variety of media.

Science The children will study Forces this half term and then Earth and Space after half term.

Reading

The children will be expected to become more independent in Y5 and take responsibility for their **home reading books**. When they have completed a book they may change it. When we feel they are ready to move up a reading band or move onto 'free' reading books we will inform the pupil. This will be based on our assessments in class which check on the child's ability to understand and answer questions based on aspects of the text. If your child wishes to read a book they have at home that is fine. They will also have the opportunity to select a book from the school library. I will be checking reading record books each Friday and rewarding those reading regularly.

It is essential that your child reads regularly at home as this will have a huge impact on the quality of their writing and their overall comprehension skills. Research shows that children who read regularly at home are more likely to achieve success and have a better quality of life as an adult.

Pupils have usernames and passwords in their reading record books for various websites they can use in their home learning.

Mathletics has tasks which I will set and other games that the children can play. Mathletics also has an App if you find that more convenient.

Times Tables Rockstars is a great way to practise times tables. The children will speed up with their times tables if they go on this regularly at home.