# Year 5 Newsletter
# Autumn Term 2 2026

November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you enjoyed the half-term break and now wish to let you know what we have in store for the remainder of this term:

Just a couple of 'housekeeping' items:

- Please be aware that earrings must be removed for school. If your child has recent piercings, the earrings must be covered with a plaster or tape. Thanks.
- Pencil cases are not needed: all stationery items will be provided by school. If your child brings a pencil case to school, we ask that they keep it in their tray.

Here are diary dates for this half term:

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| Mon 16th Nov | Odd Sock Day – Anti Bullying Week | YR-Y6 | | |
| Tues 17th Nov | Parents' Evening | YR-Y6 | 3.40pm-6.30pm | |
| Wed 18th Nov | Parents' Evening | YR-Y6 | 3.40pm-6.30pm | |
| Thurs 19th Nov | | | | |
| Fri 20th Nov | Children in Need – Dress down | YR-Y6 | | |
| Mon 30th Nov | Assessment week | YR-Y6 | | |
| Tues 1st Dec | | | | |
| Wed 2nd Dec | Advent Fair | | 3.45pm -5.30pm | Hall |
| Thurs 3rd Dec | | | | |
| Fri 4th Dec | | | | |
| Mon 7th Dec | | | | |
| Tues 8th Dec | | | | |
| Wed 9th Dec | | | | |
| Thurs 10th Dec | | | | |
| Fri 11th Dec | | | | |
| Mon 14th Dec | Choir Performance | Choir | | Old School House |
| Tues 15th Dec | | | | |
| Wed 16th Dec | Carol Concert Y3/4 2.15 church 16th | | | |
| Thurs 17th Dec | Christmas Dinner and Jumpers | YR-Y6 | | Hall |
| Fri 18th Dec | Father Christmas Visit | YR-Y6 | | |
| CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (19th Dec – 3rd Jan) | | | | |

**Maths**

In our multiplication and division unit, we have already learnt about multiples and factors and will now introduce prime, square and cube numbers. We will also be learning how to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. We will then move on to our first unit of fractions, which includes comparing, ordering, adding and subtracting fractions. Please encourage your child to continue practising both multiplication tables and other basic number facts, as fluency with these will help with all of their mathematical work.

**English**

This term we are going to be reading Percy Jackson and the lightening thief. This 4-week Writing Root takes children on an adventure through the discovery of a sword, tied to which is an ancient-looking scroll, to writing an ode, exploring character and setting development, and then writing an own version narrative chapter. Following Reading for Research into Greek Gods, the children will complete the sequence by writing an extended narrative in role as an invented demi-god.

**Other subject themes are as follows:**

**Science:** 'Properties and changes of materials' continues this half term, focusing on reversible and irreversible changes and how new materials are created.

**RE:** 'Investigating Harmony near and far'- we will research different religions, discuss our local area and how we can understand and support everyone within our diverse community.

**History:** Who were the Ancient Egyptians?

**PE:** Drumba and dance. Year 5 PE days are Mondays and Thursdays but please ensure that your child always has their full PE kit available at school.

**Computing:** Computer coding, further developing their use of the iPad software 'Tynker'.

**Music:** Two short units: 'Why we sing' (a focus on gospel music) and 'Introduction to songwriting' (writing short lyrics and tunes).

**DT:** Food technology – design and make sushi (linked to our last unit of learning – Japan).

**PSHE:** Celebrating difference. We will discuss racism, types of bullying, different cultures and celebrating our differences.

**Homework**
The homework grid will be posted onto Teams. The homework for last half term was brilliant. Well done Class 5!

As always, if you require any further information or have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact us by telephoning school or through email, using either the Class 5 email (class5info@cropwellbishop.notts.sch.uk) or our school office email (office@cropwellbishop.notts.sch.uk).

With kindest regards,

Miss Jones