

Dear parents & carers,

Your children have worked so hard this term and should feel proud of themselves. In History, we immersed ourselves in Ancient Greek culture - even trying some Greek food! The children developed their writing skills whilst writing Myths based on *The Odyssey* learning the importance of editing.

I have been impressed with their enthusiasm for learning, and especially in the second half of the term, I've seen a real improvement in their reading. Thank you for encouraging them to read daily - it makes a difference!

We've enjoyed Cricket sessions with Coach Josh and Music with Mr Shepherd, I'm sure the children will enjoy performing for you over the break! We've been fortunate to try food from our cultures in Year 5, thank you for sharing with us.

Next term, we will be moving on to multiplying fractions, so it's important that your child feels confident with their Times Tables. Over the festive break, we are having a *Times Tables Rockstars* competition. This time, it is YR 5&6 girls vs YR 5&6 boys!

I have attached the curriculum outline for Spring - it's going to be a great term.



Stephen Wiltshire inspired City Scope



Woodland Walk



Colour Mixing at the National Gallery



Famous Ancient Greek Inventions recreations!

Wishing you a wonderful holiday and a Happy New Year!

Ms Driman, Athena & Zeus.



Archimedes Screw, Catapult, The Mechine & Sundials.

# Year 5

Ms Driman  
Spring 2026

## Maths:

### As mathematicians we will be:

- Multiplying 2-digit numbers by 2-, 3- and 4-digit numbers using formal column methods
- Dividing 2-, 3-, and 4-digit numbers by 1 digit using a formal column method
- Multiplying fractions
- Decimals up to 2 decimal places
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Perimeter and Area.

### Science: As scientists we will be:

- Finding out about states of matter including: mixing substances to create solutions and finding out about what are reversible and irreversible changes.
- Exploring Earth and Space, thinking about the Solar System and where we are in it.

## Outdoor learning:

- On Wednesdays we will be doing our Woodland Walks and other outdoor activities. Linking with sustainability, protecting the local environment and mindfulness.

**Please bring a change of shoes - it can get muddy!**

## RE:

We will be thinking about our learning question: 'Why do people do people do judge?'

## Music:

In music we will be having weekly lessons with Mr Holland learning trumpet or trombone. **Children need their instrument in school every Thursdays.**

## Wellbeing & PSHE:

### In PSHE and wellbeing we will be:

- Learning about our physical and mental wellbeing
- Discussing safe relationships
- Keeping safe including responding to emergencies.

## Global Scholars:

### (ICT)

We will

continue to learn about 'Food and Culture'.

## English writing texts:



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## Reading:



## PE:

### In PE we will be:

- Practicing how to move in gymnastics including different types of roles.
- Refining our multi-skills by playing hockey.
- Developing the range and quality of skills while playing tennis.
- In athletics, we will learn how to set targets and improve performance in a range of running, jumping and throwing activities.

**Please make sure children have their P.E kit on Mondays & Wednesdays!**

Please feel free to contact me either in person or through the class email at:

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