YEAR 5 LEARNING NEWS

Week 8 Autumn Term
6th November 2026
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Highlights of the Week

In English this half term, we have started exploring our new class text, *Unspoken*. The children have made a fantastic start and enjoyed investigating the meaning of the word 'unspoken'. They did a wonderful job of using thesauruses to find a range of synonyms and antonyms, helping to broaden their vocabulary and deepen their understanding of the word. It has been lovely to see such enthusiasm as we begin our new text!

In geography, we began our new topic on mountains. The children explored the key features of a mountain and discussed how mountains around the world can be both similar and different. We shared examples and compared their characteristics, developing our geographical knowledge and understanding.

In SPaG, we explored personal and relative pronouns and how these can be used to avoid unnecessary repetition in our writing. The children practised identifying and using different pronouns to make their sentences flow more smoothly and improve the quality of their writing.

We have continued our multiplication and division unit in maths this week, exploring prime numbers, square numbers and cube numbers. The children used counters and practical resources to help them recognise patterns which helped them to develop their understanding. It has been lovely to see them using practical methods to support their mathematical thinking!

In PE this half term, the children are developing their skills in two different activities. They are enjoying learning dance with Coach Will, exploring movement, rhythm and coordination, while also learning hockey with me, where they are practising their stick control, passing and teamwork. Lots of energy and enthusiasm all round!

Information for Parents

- Homework is set on Thursday and due in the following Monday.
- Children **should be reading for 30** minutes every day **and** practising their times tables.
- P.E. is on Monday and Friday.

Key Dates

- 9th Nov – Individual photos
- 11th Nov – Bags 2 school
- 11th Nov – Yr5 and 6 football match
- 13th Nov – Dentist visit Yr4,5,6
- 19th Nov – Yr 5 Cinema trip
- 8th Dec – Rose Theatre trip Yr4 & 5
- 9th Dec – KS1 Nativity

Healthy snacks- can you please ensure your child is only bringing healthy snacks – ideally fresh fruit- to school. Anything from the confectionary/ snack aisle at the supermarket should be avoided. The sugar spike it results in has a knock-on effect on their learning which can be detrimental. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.