

Yr5/6 Summer Newsletter 2025/2026

Literacy

This term, students will develop their extended writing by varying sentence structures to eliminate repetition and mastering the passive voice for formal disciplinary work.

Text: Race to the frozen

Handwriting: A daily focus of handwriting aims to support the children in cursive and joined up letter formation.

Reading: We will be practising reading fluency and comprehension through a selection of high-quality texts.

Mathematics

Maths lessons focus on developing the children's abilities to reason mathematically by following a line of enquiry, solve problems by applying their mathematics to a variety of routine and non-routine problems and the ability to recall and apply mathematical knowledge rapidly and accurately.

This term we will be focusing on:

Statistics

Perimeter and Area

Decimals and Percentages

Position and Direction

Converting units (Y5)



History

This Summer Term, our history curriculum explores how both global events and the movement of people have shaped our identity.

- **Local History & Conflict:** We will examine the impact of World War II on the Channel Islands, focusing on the Occupation and the significance of Guernsey Liberation Day.
- **Civilisation & Migration:** Students will investigate how migration has influenced the cultural and social landscape of both the UK and Guernsey over time.

Science

Focus: Advanced Circuits

Pupils will focus on:

- What are electrical conductors and insulators?
- What are the effects and consequences of changing circuit components and batteries?

Geography

Human Geography: Population & Migration / Settlement

Pupils will learn what Settlements are and their Relationships between economic trade with natural resources.

Music

Focus: Songs of World War 2

French

Focus: Les Pays Francophone (French speaking countries)

Art

Focus: Painting and mixed media (Artist study)

Design and Technology

Focus:

- Electrical Systems - Steady Hand Game.
- Food - Developing a recipe.

Computing

Focus: Digital Citizenship

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Homework Information

Children in Year 5 and 6 are expected to complete the following homework:

Weekly

Maths: Maths homework will be sent home regularly by your child's maths teacher. Please ensure it is returned no later than the following Thursday.

Reading: Read daily at home and record your reading in your homework diary. 1 dojo point will be awarded for every session of reading recorded in the diary. If you read 4 or more times a week, you will earn a raffle ticket for the Kindle raffle.

Homework diaries are due in on Fridays.

Spellings: We will have a spelling test, once a week on a **Friday morning**. Spelling homework will be completed through an online platform, called Spelling Shed (further information about this to follow).

Times Tables: Your maths teacher will give you a times table, or a number fact-based challenge, to learn and practise each week.

Other than a watch and a small pair of stud earrings, jewellery should not be worn to school. If other jewellery is worn to school, it will be confiscated and returned to at the end of the day, to take home.

Earrings **MUST** Not be worn on PE days. (Failure to do this will mean that participation in PE will not be possible.)

Contacting us

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

If you require an urgent response or need to notify us of any absence or changes to pick-ups etc. **please contact the secretary in the office directly**, as we **cannot** always look at the Dojo during the school day.

(The school secretary will pass any urgent messages on to us directly.)

Please note staff are not expected to respond to dojo messages before 8.30am or after 5pm.

Things to remember:

- **Wear P.E. kit to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.**
- **Homework diaries in school every day and handed in to the class teacher on Fridays.**
- **Spelling homework completed by Fridays**
- **Spelling tests on Fridays**
- **Times Table tests weekly – day tbc**
- **School Equipment:** Children are allowed to bring their own pencil cases to school. Year 5 and 6 are expected to write in pen (blue ink only—not black). Erasable, blue-ink pens are encouraged.

PE Kit

Please make sure you wear the regulation, school PE Kit.

Summer kit: White t – shirt (no logos), royal blue school shorts, trainers

Winter Kit: White t-shirt, blue school shorts or navy-blue, or black leggings or jogging bottom, trainers. A navy-blue sweatshirt may also be worn. No logos on any of this clothing other than the school logo.

Children who do not wear the correct PE kit will be sent home with a slip and **given kit from lost property to wear.**

Dates for the Diary:

April

22nd April – Y5/6 Residential Parent meeting.
29th April – Y5 attend MC Grammar

May

4th May – Bank Holiday
8th May – Liberation Party Day
14th May – Ascension Day Mass
25th May – Half term

June

8th June – Y6 Transition Day 1
10th – 12th June – Y5/6 Residentials
22nd June – Y6 Transition Day 2

July

7th July – Leavers' Evening
TBC – Junior Sports Day @ Footes Lane
14th July – Leavers' Mass
16th July – PTFA Disco
17th July – Term Ends

Mobile Phones

If you need to bring a mobile phone to school, please make sure to hand it in to the office at the start of the day and they will keep it safe, your child will collect it from the office at the end of the day.

Further Information will be given via Dojo for future sporting events, discos and cultural enrichment.