

Kingsway Junior School

Curriculum Newsletter



Year 5 Autumn Term 2025

Welcome to Year 5!

The children have settled into Year 5 well and have come back to school focused and ready to tackle the year ahead. In Archers this year, Mrs Netto will be your teacher, supported by Mr Caffrey.

In Knights this year, Mrs Haider will be your teacher, supported by Mr Bath and Ms Pullman.

English

In English, we will be following the Herts For Learning Curriculum, which combines the use of outstanding rated books to approach learning in a creative, engaging and enthusing manner. Year 5 will be exploring the following texts: 'The River and the Tree', 'The Promise', 'Cloud Tea Monkeys', 'Where the Poppies Grow Now', 'The World of the Unknown', and 'Ancient Greece.' Throughout the year the children will complete extended writing to ensure that the writing techniques are embedded. We will also be writing cross curricular pieces which combine their knowledge of English, Geography, History and Science.

We encourage reading at ALL times.



Maths

We follow the Herts For Learning scheme for Maths. It will focus heavily on times tables, reasoning and problem solving skills. We will cover a range of areas throughout the term such as place value, fractions, decimals and percentages, properties of shape, area and formal methods of all four operations.



Science

Year 5 will be learning about famous scientists that aided world-changing discoveries such as Sir Isaac Newton and conducting some hands-on experiments to engage the children. They will be conducting a range of experiments and looking at what variables they can change and how to create a 'fair test'. Children will continue to develop their scientific skills by collecting data in a range of practical tasks. This half term, our focus will be on the earth, moon and the solar system. After half term we will take a look at 'Forces'.



PE

PE will be taught by CSE coaches twice a week. This term we will be focusing on Gymnastics, Dance, Cross Country and Netball.



RE

We are continuing to follow the Jigsaw scheme of work for our RE learning. This term we will be focusing on the key beliefs and practices and the religion of the Sikh Dharm or Sikhism.



PSHE

We have one PSHE session a week, following the Jigsaw scheme of work. This term the weekly lesson will cover a topic called 'Being Me in my World' and 'Celebrating Differences'. For example, we will be learning about our choices and how they can affect the community.

Computing

We are excited to be continuing with Purple Mash. This programme will allow pupils to develop their computing skills. This term the focus will be online safety and coding.



History & Geography

This term we will continue to use the CUSP scheme of work, which will focus on Ancient Greece in History and World Biomes in Geography. The unit will cover key facts, dates in history and evaluate reliable sources to deepen their knowledge. Alongside this we will be comparing and contrasting maps and looking at landscapes that link to the History being taught at the time.

Spanish, Music

Spanish will be taught by Mrs Hallahan and will focus on likes, dislikes, classroom objects and singular and plural. Music will be taught by Mr Rollo.

Art & DT

Art will be taught by class teachers this year and will be based on the theme 'Africa', linking to the upcoming scheduled workshop. We will focus on drawing various textures and patterns.

Class assemblies:

Archers – 3rd October

Knights – 17th October

Open Door Policy

If you would like to talk to us about any issues, share further information about your child or ask any questions, please feel free to come and have a chat with us on the playground before or after school. Alternatively, you can make an appointment at any point during the term.