



Year 5/6 Autumn Term Newsletter



Welcome back!

We are so excited to welcome the children into Year 5/6. In this letter, you will find some information about our learning this term and how the timetable will be organised. We have had a fantastic start to the Autumn term, starting with our Magic and Mystery topic day. We created papyrus artwork, danced to 'Walk like an Egyptian', competed in the 'Wrap the Mummy' competition and attempted the 'Lego Master Challenge' of building the best pyramid.

Staff Team

The adults supporting your children this term are:

Mrs Barnes Mrs Wilson	Mrs Newham Mrs Lynn Mrs Arnold	Mrs Levis Mrs Smallwood Mrs Ferguson
Mrs Walster and Mrs Blackwell		

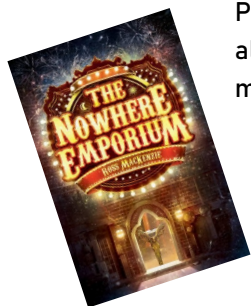
Curriculum

Topic	Magic and Mystery – The Ancient Egyptians Physical Geography of Egypt
English	Journalistic writing, descriptive writing, diary writing, explanation texts
Maths	Place value, four rules, fractions
Science	Light and Electricity
Art	Clay sculpture
Design & Technology	Levers—making an Ancient Egyptian shaduf
RE	How do Christians Live?
Music	Melody and Harmony—composition and musical notation
PE	TAG rugby, gymnastics, indoor games, basketball
Computing	Computer Systems and Networks—Communication and Collaboration
French	Chez Moi
PSHE	Mutual tolerance and respect, Democracy, Elections, Behaviour and Safety, Physical Health and Wellbeing.



Fruit and Water

Children are encouraged to bring a bottle to school each morning, filled with water. Please save squash for lunchtime. They are also invited to bring fruit as a snack for morning break.



Our class book this term is:

The Nowhere Emporium by Ross Mackenzie

PE Timetable

FIRST HALF TERM	Mrs Barnes	Mrs Newham	Mrs Levis / Mrs Smallwood
Monday	Outdoor PE		
Tuesday	Indoor PE		
Wednesday		Indoor PE	
Thursday		Outdoor PE	Outdoor PE
Friday			Indoor PE

SECOND HALF TERM	Mrs Barnes	Mrs Newham	Mrs Levis / Mrs Smallwood
Monday			Outdoor PE
Tuesday	Indoor PE		
Wednesday		Indoor PE	
Thursday	Outdoor PE	Outdoor PE	
Friday			Indoor PE

On your child's Outdoor PE day, they may come to school in their PE kit and remain in it for the entire day. They do not need to bring uniform to change into. As the children will be wearing their kit all day, please ensure that it is in line with our uniform policy. The children's indoor PE kit will stay in school for the whole half term.

Homework

Spellings—We will be continuing with our weekly spelling tests. Children will have words to learn each week, following a spelling pattern or the Year 5/6 National Curriculum statutory word list.

Reading—Reading continues to be an extremely important area of your child's learning. We encourage children to read a range of texts to expand their comprehension and vocabulary - ideally at least 4 reads per week at home. To encourage reading, we will continue our popular 4 in a row Bingo sheet. Please ask your child about this.

Maths—Maths homework will be set weekly and will be a combination of paper tasks and online activities on MyMaths. We will be relaunching Times Tables Rockstars in Year 5/6 and will be asking children to log on at home to complete activities to practise their times tables.

School Trip



We are planning an exciting trip focusing on The Ancient Egyptians at Leicester Museum and Art Gallery on Tuesday 31st October. We will send out a separate letter shortly with further details.

Norfolk

Our Year 6 residential trip to Norfolk will take place from Monday 23rd October—Friday 27th October. We will be holding a meeting after school on Wednesday 27th September for parents. Year 5 will be working in the base that week and their learning will be based around an exciting topic.

If you would like to contact a member of staff, please phone or email the office, who will readily pass on your query.

Kind regards,
The Year 5/6 Team.

