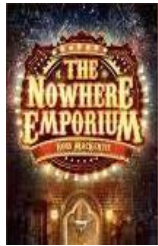


## Year 5 Summer Term Newsletter

Welcome back to school Year 5. We are so excited to see you all again and we cannot wait to start settling back into routines and starting our exciting learning journey. We have some fantastic learning to share with you this term.

### English

This term we are studying our new book *The Nowhere Emporium*. Inspired by the book, children will produce their own story settings and persuasive arguments. We have some copies in school (donated by the PTFA) but you may wish to buy your child their own copy.



On a weekly basis, children will continue to receive spellings to be learnt for a test, and these will be uploaded onto Dojo. Children will have opportunities to practice, revise and apply these words at school, but additional practice at home will greatly benefit your child.

### Maths

This term our learning will focus on the following areas of maths: decimals and percentages, shape (including angles), perimeter and area, graphs and measurement.

Knowledge of times tables forms a crucial foundation for most Maths concepts in Year 5. If your child has not yet mastered the quick recall of times tables, there are several online games and apps which provide a fun way to support at home such as Hit the Button:

(<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths=games/hit-the-button>).

Your child also has their own login details for Times Tables Rock Stars.

### Science Curriculum

During the summer term in Science, we will be continuing to study the lifecycles of a variety of different living things. Building upon their knowledge from younger year groups, we will be making comparisons across lifecycles and will build our knowledge on animal and plant classification and what this might mean for their lifecycle.

We will be working like Scientists to report, research, present, gather data and evaluate our findings. Through this unit we will have the chance to observe a variety of life cycles up close.

### Explore, Dream, Discover Curriculum

In History, we will be undertaking a local study based on the history of our wonderful Mount building and the history of the pottery industry in and around Penkhull.

In Geography, we will continue with map work, learning how to read an OS map using 4 figure and six figure grid references, and using atlases, maps and globes to locate countries and describe features.

In DT, we will be deconstructing lunch bags; looking at their design features; learning how to make waterproof fabric and then making a lunch bag. In food and nutrition, we will be exploring world foods such as making Vietnamese summer rolls and an Asian stir fry dish.

### PE

This term PE will include a focus on The Willows Mile, dance, athletics, cricket and rounders (as well as continuing with our weekly tabata sessions). We will be developing bowling and batting skills, running, throwing, skipping and jumping. Remember that children are now asked to come to school wearing their PE kit on the days of their PE lessons (Monday and Thursday for this half term), and they will remain in their kit throughout the day.

## Homework

Spellings will be sent home each week and children should practice these at home and ensure that they know the meaning of each word.

Every Wednesday, Maths is set each week and all children are expected to complete this on line before or on the following Monday. Those children who are still practicing their times tables sheets, will be sent home their times tables book to complete.

Reading books will continue to be sent home and we encourage children to read at least 5 times a week. Reading progress will continue to be monitored using Accelerated Reader. The children and teachers, instead of in a reading diary, will record reading in school.

Children are able to quiz on books at home, using the link below, which is also available on the library section of The Willows website.

<https://ukhosted57.renlearn.co.uk/2209120/>

Thank you for all the support that you give your child in their learning.

If you wish to contact your class teacher, please use Dojo in the first instance.

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