

YEAR 5 @ GST

SUMMER TERM NEWS



Message from Miss Maguire

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to the Summer Term! I am really pleased with the progress Year 5 have made so far this year, as well as their positive attitude towards learning. They have shown great enthusiasm, resilience, and a willingness to challenge themselves in different ways which has been wonderful to see.

As all children have been working so hard and settled back in well, I am confident we are going to have a successful and exciting summer term. This next term is filled with new topics, opportunities, and even more challenges for the children to explore and enjoy. We are all looking forward to the months ahead, continuing to build on the fantastic work already achieved.

Moving forward throughout the summer term, we are looking for increased maturity and independence from the children. Please continue to encourage your child to be independent in organising their belongings for school each day as this will help them as they move towards the end of Key Stage Two. Thank you for all your support.
Best wishes, Miss Maguire



Key days of the week

Mondays

Tuesdays

PE

Trumpet

Wednesdays

Homework handed in

Spelling test day

Thursdays

Homework handed out

PE - cricket

Fridays

Reminders

- **Reading book and water bottle in school each day.**
- **Trumpets on Tuesday- we have no spares this year**
- **Homework folders on Wednesdays including completed spellings**
- **PE kit for Tuesday and Thursdays**
- **Knowing multiplication and division facts at speed**

Coming up for Year 5...

- **Educational Visit to Heysham Power Station 25.06.26**
- **End of year Trumpet Concert for Parents and Carers (TBC)**
- **Sports Day 12.06.26**
- **Tough Mudder 10.07.26**



Summer Term Learning

Further curriculum information is online: www.garstangstthomas.com

Year 5 will continue to deepen their knowledge of the world with exciting topics about the Amazon and Ancient Greeks.

English

This term we are investigating the Amazon! Our end goal is to produce a persuasive speech and verbal debate for or against deforestation. We will then move on to respond in different ways to the classic narrative poetry of Jabberwocky.

Maths

Within mathematics we will build on our knowledge of shape, position and direction, working with decimals, negative numbers and converting units of measurements.

Science

When working scientifically, we will be finding out about the reproduction of mammals and plants. Later, we will be investigating reversible and irreversible changes.

RE

In RE, the children will learn how Christianity was spread around the world after Pentecost. Following this, we will develop an understanding of Jesus as a teacher.

History

As inquisitive historians, we will discover the legacy and impact of the Ancient Greek civilization. Our key question is: 'How has the Ancient Greek world influenced the western world of today?'

Geography

As geographers, we will investigate the physical and human features of the world's largest rainforest – the Amazon.

Art and Design

We will continue developing our drawing skills and then explore theatre sets, creating our own 3D set. Please look out for an empty shoe box/ spare cardboard for this project.

Design and Technology

We will design, make and evaluate a hobby bag. We want to upcycle an old apron, pair of jeans, skirt, pillowcase or T-shirt- please look out for an item your child could use for their work.

Music

Mr. Boardman will continue to teach us more trumpeting tunes and techniques, as we work towards an end of year performance.

PE

In PE, we will be focusing on cricket skills in fielding and striking with our local cricket club and working on developing our skills in netball. We have many sporting opportunities ahead.

Computing

In computing, we will embark on programming to create a quiz. Later, we'll learn how to create short videos and develop the skills of capturing, editing and manipulating video.

Languages

Monsieur Hope will continue teaching French on Mondays. We will learn vocabulary focused on ourselves, family and holidays. Each child will have a mini-French oral exam.

PSHE

Starting with "Being My Best", we'll then learn about "Growing and Changing". This includes aspects of our Sex and Relationships curriculum, part of which will be in a SCARF workshop.

Contact us

Questions about learning

Please contact us on the GST school app.

Concerns

If you have a concern about something in school, please get in touch with us to arrange a telephone call or meeting.

Absence/appointments etc.

Please send a message to the school office on the GST school app.

Breakfast club and after school club

Please e-mail: office@garstang-st-thomas.lancs.sch.uk.

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urgently with school, please
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