



At Horsell C of E Junior School we believe that we are all made in the 'image of God'. Through a commitment to Christian values and high academic aspirations, we strive to provide a rich and inclusive education for every member of our school family.



MEET THE YEAR 5 TEAM

Outline of the session

- Find out who is in the Year 5 team.
- Share the aims and expectations of Year 5 and Upper Key Stage 2.



The Y5 teaching team

- Beech Mrs Mundell
- Cedar Miss Withers
- Rowan Mr King



How is year 5 different to year 4?

- Greater independence and taking responsibility for their learning
- Taking on roles with responsibility within school
- Being able to voice an opinion eloquently and with reasoning

Christian values

Dignity



Hope



Justice



Service



Love



Forgiveness



At Horsell, we are...



Articulate



Brave



Collaborative



Trips and Key dates

Autumn	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applying for roles with responsibility• Online workshop with Henry VIII's staff – 23rd September (in class)• Harvest Service @ St. Mary's 9:30 on the 23rd October
Spring	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shah Jahan Mosque- tbc• Rhoda McGraw theatre visit- tbc• Overnight stay at Winchester Science Museum – Thursday 19th March
Summer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit Year 2 with pop up books• Sports Days• Meeting buddies

English

(Reading, Writing, Spellings and Handwriting)

Science

Maths

History/
Geography

French

RE

Year 5
Curriculum

Music

PSHE

PE

Art/DT

Computing/
online safety



Learning highlights in year 5

Computing – using iMovies

History – the Tudors, Greeks and Vikings

DT – Making model Tudor houses and later in the year, pop-up books for year 2

Geography – deserts and oceans

Music – workshop based on Ancient Egypt

Science – Materials, Space and habitats

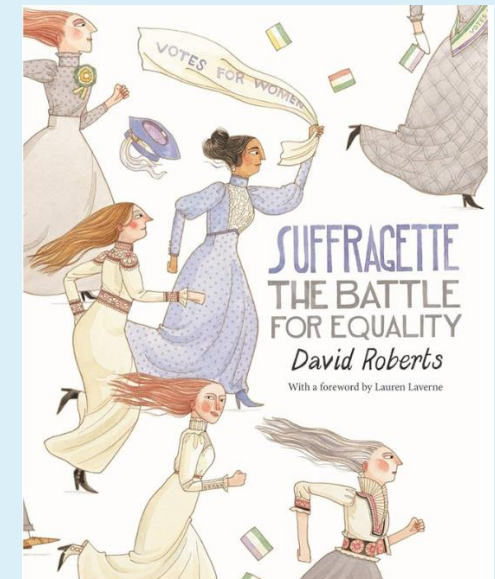
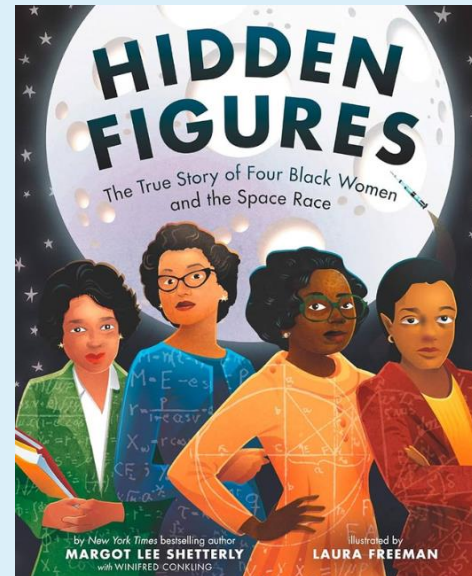
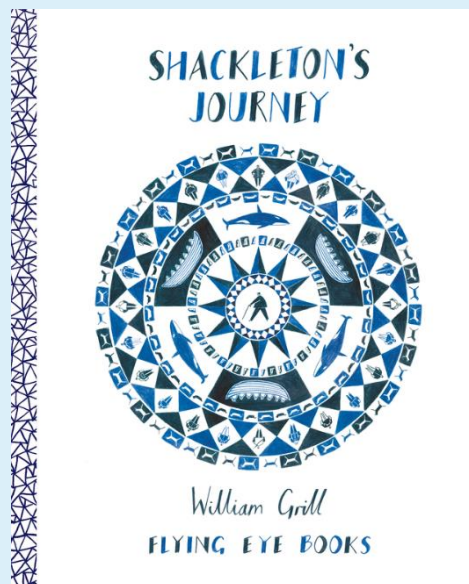
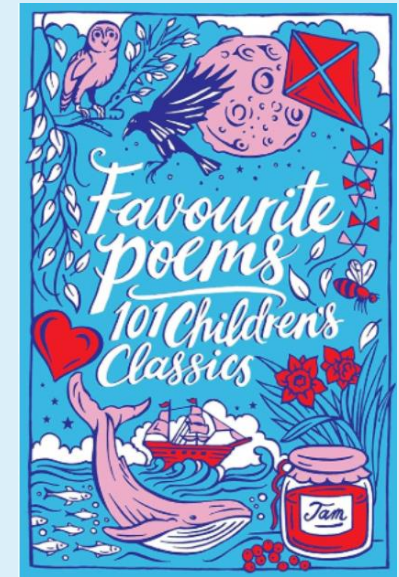
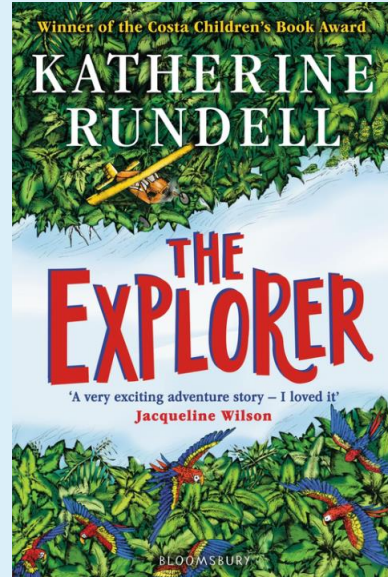
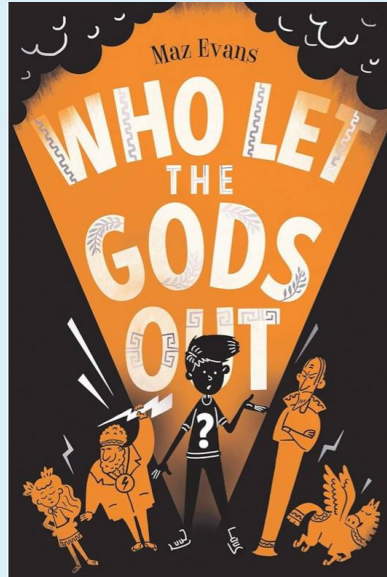
Guided reading – Suffragettes, Shackleton and exploring

Detailed information for each subject

Can be found on the school website.



Year 5 Reading



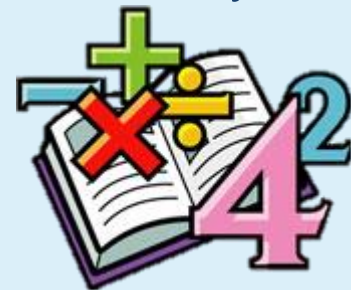
Reading

- In year 5 we will expect your child to read 5 times a week, they will then need to record their reading in their HSO and make a comment about what they have read.
- The HSO will need to be signed at the end of each week by an adult.
- HSOs will be collected in on a Monday by their class teacher and checked.
- Your children have three reading passports to complete this year (Sprout, Seedling and Sapling). This can be found on our website with an explanation of each genre.
- As well as reading at home your child will have the opportunity to read with the class teacher on a regular basis both individually and as part of guided reading lessons.
- Children have reading for pleasure time at the end of lunch every day.
- Each class will also have a class reader book.



Maths

- In Year 5 we use a range of materials to consolidate the children's KS2 learning in the lead up to their SATs.
- We use White Rose to encourage children to deepen their fluency and reasoning skills.
- We complete a series of retrieval activities at the start of every lesson to help prepare them for arithmetic style questions.
- All children are encouraged to continue using resources where needed to ensure they are trailing a range of methods to find the most efficient.
- Maths will continue to be taught in classes in mixed ability groupings.
- Adopting a “mastery” approach i.e. the application to the unfamiliar by applying maths knowledge.
- Guiding children to be problem solvers not calculators and thereby developing employability skills.



SEN

Most children will carry out their learning in their class base, with learning adapted to meet their needs in class. Some children will have their English and Maths lessons in Apple classroom and spend the rest of the day in their class base. We liaise with Mr Stevenson to ascertain the methods and scaffolding support that works most effectively for each individual child.

If you have concerns, or wish to discuss something, speak with class teachers in the first instance. They know your child best in school.

Following that, SEND Surgery – Tuesday mornings (book through Mrs Khan – Office).

PE

- Children should come into school in their PE kits when they have PE and/or swimming.
- Cedar : PE on Monday and Tuesday
- Beech : PE on Monday and swimming on Friday
- Rowan : PE on Wednesday and Friday

Earrings should be removed or taped up.

Homework

- Homework is set on Monday and needs to be completed by the next Monday.

Spellings:

- Weekly spellings will be set and written into the children's HSO.
- Children will be tested on the spellings the following Monday.

Reading:

- Read 5 times a week and record this in your Home School Organiser with a comment about the reading and a reading target activity- to be recorded in the child's HSO.

SPaG:

- Logon to SPAG.com and complete the task set.
- The task will be linked to the learning happening in class.

Maths:

- Logon to [Times Table Rock Stars](#) and complete 10 minutes minimum (**not to be completed in the Times Table lesson in school this is as well as the time spent in school**)
- Children will take home a maths workbook and will complete the page set by the teacher. This will be linked to the learning happening in class.
- All the passwords the children will need for the online sites are stuck in their HSO.
- If you have any difficulty with completing any of the above tasks, please contact you child's class teacher.

Communication

If you have any worries or queries please feel free to e-mail us about these and we will get back to you within 48 hours. You can also put a note in the HSO for your child to show us.

Medical appointments and absences need to be communicated to the office.

Please do not leave any concerns until parent's evening. It is always best to try to sort out any issues with the class teacher in the first instance. If you would like to take a concern further after this, please contact the phase leader.

Letters, including the newsletter, will be issued on a Thursday. You will receive a newsletter every week, and one every half term from the year group team which will include news specifically related to the year group.

If your child is home with someone else eg a play date, please let us know via email or a note in the child's HSO.

Home - school communication

- Home School Organiser (HSO)
 - Email – staff have 2 working days to respond
1. **Class Teacher** - Please always contact your class teacher first with any concerns or queries.
 2. **Phase Lead**
 3. **Deputy Head**
 4. **Assistant Head/Senco** (SEN Surgeries book through Mrs. Khan in the Office)
 5. **Headteacher** (Please do not contact Mrs Wand directly.)



General housekeeping

- Please report absences by 8:40am using the Studybugs App
- Please let the teacher know about play dates / pick up changes using email or HSO.
- If your child is not attending a club that they are signed up to, please contact the office or the club to let them know, so we do not spend time searching for them.
- We expect children to remember their belongings each day so please make sure they are prepared (lunches, swim kits etc)

Uniform

- School uniform should be clearly labelled with your child's name.
- No earrings – taped or removed.
- No extreme hairstyles; no styling products to be used.
- Long hair (touching shoulders) must be tied back and off the face for boys and girls.
- Coloured hair accessories must only be in school uniform colours. No flowers or big bows.
- Nail varnish and make up are not allowed.
- All lost property is located by reception.
- Smart watches (e.g. Fitbits) are not allowed.



Stationery

- We are providing all equipment for the children.
- Children do not need to bring anything in apart from a pencil case with colouring pencils for art.
- This is a whole school approach to raise standards of expectations.



Money Matters

- Voluntary contributions
- Parents are also asked to contribute towards swimming lessons. Children receive a term's swimming lessons every year. For 2025-2026, the cost will be £30
- Parents are also asked to contribute to the School Improvement Fund. We ask that all parents contribute £20 per term.

Year 5 payments

As much as we can, we book our school trips a year in advance. Parents in receipt of pupil premium funding get support with these costs. These are the current quotations we have – they may change.

- Past Productions - £5
- Music workshop - £11.11
- Overnight stay at Winchester Science Centre £63.76 (to be paid by end of January 2026)
- All payable via Scopay. A payment schedule can be set up so that parents can pay in monthly instalments to help spread the cost.

Pupil Premium & Free School Meals

Your child may be eligible for PP or Free School Meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit

If you feel you may be eligible, please speak with the Office to complete the forms, or access them via the school website.

How you can help...

- Ensuring that you send your child to school with a filled water bottle, coat & HSO each day.
- Ensuring that all uniform is correct and labelled.
- Reading at home with your children.
- Helping your children to learn their times tables and spellings.
- Ensuring that your child completes their homework on time.
- Making us aware of any issues at home that may affect your child's learning so we can support them if necessary.
- OPAL donations and DIY skills
- Keeping your phones away when on site
- Trip volunteers are appreciated
- Volunteering to hear children read
- Volunteering to help with cookery sessions

Any questions?

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