



Year 5 News

A newsletter for Year 5 Parents/Carers

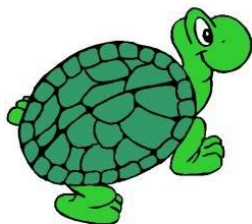
Autumn Term 2026



To all parents,
carers and pupils -
welcome back to
an exciting new
school year!

Our topic this term will be **'THE ANCIENT GREEKS'**

Welcome to our exciting history topic about Ancient Greek civilisation.



Y5

This year, Y5 Turtles and Terrapins will be encouraged to develop their independence through self-directed learning opportunities, personal research and making their own decisions about presentation. With our support, they will hopefully gain confidence, be willing to take the initiative and learn to take more responsibility for themselves and others.

10 useful spellings for history:

- ancient
- myth
- soldier
- tunic
- vase
- column
- island
- temple
- democracy
- theatre

School Trips and enrichment:

Rainbow Theatre

01/10/26 - Come dressed as a Greek!

Visit to Applesham farm:

Turtles: 14/10/26

Terrapins: 15/10/26

Wear weather- appropriate clothing for our first tour of the farm.

Greek Feast

Date TBC - come dressed as a Greek! Please check we have correct allergy info ASAP.

Swimming

Swimming will start on 18/09/26 and will run every Friday. Don't forget swimming kits and spare underwear!

Bikeability

In the Autumn term we will have a Bikeability day. More details to follow.

Residential preparation

If you were at the 'meet the teacher' meeting in the summer, you might recall us suggesting that you arrange sleepovers (outside of family) for your child this year. This will help them get used to being away from you before coming away with school.

PE Kit

Please remember your PE kit on **Wednesday** every week. Children are responsible for bringing it home to be washed as needed.

Curriculum

For information on what we will be learning as part of our Ancient Greeks topic, please see the curriculum pages of the St Nic's website:

[St Nicolas and St Mary CE Primary School - Curriculum](#)

We are really pleased with the way that our new Year 5s are settling in and approaching the challenges of the year with positivity and enthusiasm. Encouragement of your child's reading and times table learning at home would be greatly appreciated. Please discuss this with us if it is an area of concern. Please note that registration will be taken promptly at 8:55am, when children will be expected to be seated and ready for the day. Thank you for your support.

Making Appointments:

If you need to speak to Miss Goss, Miss Wells or Miss Freeman for any reason, please feel free to catch us after school. We can discuss the concern then or make an appointment for another time.

Please find below a simplified, general class timetable to support families at home. You will find listed the main lessons that happen on each day in a normal week. We hope that you continue to find this useful.

Year 5 Timetable: Autumn 2026 TERRAPIN CLASS

 Monday	 Tuesday	 Wednesday	 Thursday	 Friday
 English	 English	 English	 English	 Swimming
 Maths	 Maths	 Maths	 Maths	 English
 Science	 RE	 French	 History	 Maths
 Computing	 PSHE	 PE	 Music	 Art

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