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Dear Year 5 Parents and Carers,

Courage

Our vision, as a Church of England school, is for all of our children to **be courageous!**

For some children, we need to help them be **courageous** as they come into school. If your child is anxious about anything, please do speak to us. In particular, we will not tolerate bullying in any form – so please be courageous and talk to or email us straight away!



We also want to encourage children to be **courageous** in their learning and personal development. In Year 5 we really want to develop children's 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.

In Year 5, we go on our 'Truleigh Hill' residential trip. This is a wonderful opportunity to be courageous, to try adventurous activities and spend a night away from home.

Faith, Hope and Love

Our Christian values are not just confined to our times of worship, but permeate all that we do in the curriculum and beyond. For example, this term:

- In science, our topic on Earth and Space will open up questions about God and **faith** and to explore their own beliefs.
- Our first visit to Applesham farm will raise questions about **hope** – hope for harvests to come.
- Through 'zones of feelings' and 'empowerment' we will be thinking in PSHE about how to **love** our neighbour as ourselves



The Year 5 team want to be **Inspirational, Inclusive and Innovative**. We are planning lots of exciting learning opportunities for our pupils including 3D printing, clay modelling and woodwork. We want everyone to be part of the team and thrive. We are always thinking about how we can bring new ideas and fun to our lessons! We will ask for help from parents to enable us to be inspirational, inclusive and innovative – so do join us when the opportunity arises!

Kind regards

Team Year 5



Year 5 News



A newsletter for Year 5 Parents/Carers

Autumn Term 2023

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.

School Trips /enrichment activities:

Rainbow Theatre

03/10/23 - come dressed as a Greek!

Visit to Applesham farm

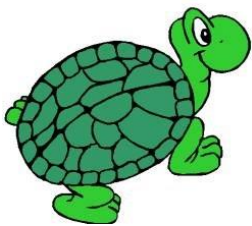
Likely to be in the week commencing 16th October but this is TBC. Parent drivers will be required.

Greek Feast

November date TBC - come dressed as a Greek!

Swimming

Swimming will start on 21/09/22 and will run every Thursday. Don't forget swimming kits and spare underwear!



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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.

Residential preparation

If you were at the "meet the teacher" conference 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 Friday every week. Children are responsible for bringing it home to be washed.

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. These can be found on the website by navigating to Parents & Carers, then [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 Mr Davies or Miss Smith for any reason, please feel free to catch us after school. We can discuss the concern then or make an appointment for another time.

