



The Royal School

Wolverhampton

Year 5

Curriculum Document For Parents

Welcome to year 5!



Important Information

Form Teachers:

5JE & Year 5 Lead – Mr James Emery

5RC – Mrs Rita Chagger

5GE – Mr Graham Ellis

Should you wish to contact your child's form teacher at any time regarding your child, please email them at the following addresses:-

Mr Emery - jemery@theroyal.school

Mr Chagger - rc@theroyal.school

Mr Ellis - ge@theroyal.school

We will endeavour to respond to your emails within 24 hours however on some occasions this may take a little longer. For more urgent enquiries you should ring the school and make an appointment on [01902 349100](tel:01902349100).

If your child is unwell and cannot attend school you must ring the school reception before 8:30am, please do not email.

All general enquiries should be sent to: primaryreception@theroyal.school



Welcome to Year 5

In this booklet we will provide you with the relevant information on:

- School Values
- Curriculum
- Timetable
- Sport/Homework Timetables
- Reading
- Spellings
- Times Tables
- Rewards and sanctions
- Reports
- Trips
- Contacts

School Values

- Trust
- Respect
- Initiative
- Community
- Risk

Curriculum

This year we are very excited to be continuing our Cornerstones curriculum.....

The Year 5 topics are as follows:

- Pharaohs
- Alchemy Island
- Off with her Head!
- Stargazers
- Sow, Grow and Eat
- Scream Machine

How I can help my child at home?

- Listen to him/her read.
- Spelling activity based on that week's spelling unit.
- Check that he/she has completed any homework which has been set.
- Complete any focus work that has been set.

English, Maths, RS, PSCHEE and French will be taught as standalone subjects, although when appropriate will be linked to the Cornerstones Topics, as learning becomes embedded when more connections are made.



The new approach to the curriculum that we are using follows four key stages in deepening learning. They are:

Engage

Hook learners in with a memorable experience.

Set the scene and provide the context.

Ask questions to provoke thought and interest.

Provoke curiosity using interesting starting points.

Develop

Teach knowledge for depth of understanding.

Demonstrate new skills and allow time for consolidation.

Provide creative opportunities for making and doing.

Deliver reading, writing and talk across the curriculum.

Innovate

Provide imaginative scenarios that provoke creative thinking.

Enable and assess the application of previously learned skills.

Encourage enterprise and independent thinking.

Express

Encourage reflective talk by asking questions.

Provide opportunities for shared evaluation.

Celebrate success.

Through this vibrant and dynamic curriculum we aim to inspire the children to become self-motivated learners, in order to enable them to reach their full potential. Learning should not stop at the end of lessons or a school day and so family outings and personal interests all add to the learning experience.



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Timetables - please be aware that at times lessons may be changed to fit in special events etc.

Timetable for 5JE

	8:30-9:00	9:00-10:30		Break 10:30 - 10:45	10:45-12:15		Lunch 12:15- 13:15	13:15-14:15	14:15-15:45	
Monday	Grammar Hammer	Games			English	Guided reading		Maths	Music	Cornerstones
Tuesday	Rapid reasoning	Guided reading	English		Maths	Handwriting		French	Cornerstones	
Wednesday	Spelling	Guided reading	PE		English	Handwriting		Maths	Cornerstones	
Thursday	House meetings	Guided reading	English		Maths	Spelling		PSHE	Cornerstones	
Friday	Speed read	Guided reading	English		Maths	Spelling		RS	Handwriting	Cornerstones

Timetable for 5RC

	8:30-9:00	9:00-10:30		Break 10:30 - 10:45	10:45-12:15		Lunch 12:15- 13:15	13:15-14:15	14:15-15:45	
Monday	Grammar Hammer	Games			Guided reading	English		Maths	Music	Cornerstones
Tuesday	Rapid reasoning	English	Guided reading		Maths	Handwriting		French	Cornerstones	
Wednesday	Guided reading	Spelling	PE		English	Handwriting		Maths	Cornerstones	
Thursday	House meetings	English	Guided reading		Maths	Spelling		PSHE	Cornerstones	
Friday	Speed read	English	Guided reading		Maths	Spelling		RS	Handwriting	Cornerstones

Timetable for 5GE

	8:30-9:00	9:00-10:30		Break 10:30 - 10:45	10:45-12:15		Lunch 12:15- 13:15	13:15-14:15	14:15-15:45	
Monday	Grammar Hammer	Games			English	Guided reading		Maths	Music	Cornerstones
Tuesday	Rapid reasoning	Guided reading	English		Maths	Handwriting		French	Cornerstones	
Wednesday	Spelling	Guided reading	PE		English	Handwriting		Maths	Cornerstones	
Thursday	House meetings	Guided reading	English		Maths	Spelling		PSHE	Cornerstones	
Friday	Speed read	Guided reading	English		Maths	Spelling		RS	Handwriting	Cornerstones

Sport Timetable

If your child is too unwell to take part in Games, Swimming or PE, you must send a note or an email to the form teacher.

Games – Monday

PE/Swimming – Wednesday

On a Monday and Wednesday, children will need to come in full PE kit **including** tracksuit. After their sports sessions, they will need to change back into school uniform so please ensure this brought into school.

Homework

Cornerstones work will be given out half termly. In addition to this there will be alternating weekly English and Maths homework which will be given out on a Tuesday and will be due back the following Tuesday each week.

On occasion, pupils will also need to complete a piece of research or writing to engage them in the next topic.

Reading

It is expected that pupils will read at least three times a week at home with their parents. Sitting down with your child for 10mins, asking questions about the text and discussing unfamiliar words with your child will improve their comprehension greatly. We ask that parents sign the reading record book after they have heard their child read. Books will be exchanged **only if the child can talk clearly and confidently about the book.**

Spellings

Children will receive spelling homework each week, which accompanies lessons in school which focus on spelling. There will not be lists to learn for a test.

Times tables

Year 5 pupils will continue to have regular arithmetic lessons to improve speed and accuracy. They will work on all of the multiplication and division facts up to the 12 Times table. **Support at home with this is vital.**

Times tables underpin many maths questions and are invaluable when working out division too.

There are many useful websites that will help your child to learn their tables and particularly apps for your tablet or phone. Many of the apps are free and we often use them in class.

We recommend the children use Timestables Rockstars <https://play.ttrockstars.com/> at home to help with this and we will also use it in school.

Other useful websites are:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/problem-solving>

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/games/>

Sharing of Homework:

Homework will be shared with children via the website: <https://www.satchelone.com/> (previously known as Show My Homework). We will also provide an exercise book for each child to complete their homework in.

Rewards and Sanctions

There are many reward systems currently in place.

House Points

House points are given to pupils on a daily basis and they are recorded on a class sheet. At the end of the week the house points are added up and the winning house is announced in Assembly. Pupils will achieve points for their house and not on an individual basis.

Throughout the year there are various house events where pupils can compete to gain house trophies/cups which are awarded at the school's Prize Day in the summer term.

Such events include:

- Inter house music competition
- Art competition
- General Knowledge
- Swimming Galas
- Sports days

Merit Awards

Merit awards are given out on an individual basis for work that is above and beyond the expected. This could be for an outstanding piece of classwork/homework, showing great improvement, working well together as a team, showing empathy and courtesy towards others. Merits will be recorded onto the School Management System.

Parents should receive notification of merits through the Schoolcomms app.

25 merits – pupils will receive a merit badge

50 merits – bronze award achieved

75 merits - silver award achieved

100 merits– gold award achieved

Sanctions

Whilst we do not expect to have cases of poor behaviour we do have a policy which will be adhered to by pupils and staff.

Classroom rules will be displayed in every room and pupils will be made aware of the rules. Pupils that continue to disrupt lessons will be:

- warned first
- removed to another class
- loss of playtime
- sent to the behaviour lead

Where appropriate, parents will be informed of incidents via email or a phone call by form teacher or year group leader.

Reports

Reports are given at parents' evenings. The first two reports are interim reports with a full report at the end of the year.

There will be a parents evening every term which will enable you to be kept up to date with your child's progress. Currently we are waiting to find out if this will be face to face or via another means. Once we know you will be informed by the school.

Trips and educational experiences

School trips and educational experiences are not only fun but help bring the curriculum to life. They provide deeper subject learning and increase self-confidence. Research has shown that they can enhance team work, social skills, and this in turn helps pupils to develop risk awareness.

There will be at least one school trip or experience for each Cornerstones unit and our first experience of the year will be a visit from Mr Egypt, and Egyptologist. Below are some of the trips and experiences from previous years.

- Birmingham Think Tank
- Planetarium experience
- Tudor experience
- Trip to a working farm/allotment
- Drayton Manor Theme Park

On occasion parents may be asked to help supervise pupils on a trip so that we can adhere to the strict staff, pupil ratios. When information about a trip is sent out, please could you let the class teacher know if you would be interested.

All monies and consent for trips and visiting workshops will be paid for online via Schoolcomms.

Contacts

Listed below are some names and email addresses of staff who will be working with or teaching your child this year. Please contact them if you have any matters regarding your child's progress or a subject related matter.

Mr Emery – Year 5 Lead Teacher – jemery@theroyal.school

Mr Smith – Year 5 and Year 6 Phase Leader – esm@theroyal.school

Mrs J Bates - Assistant Primary Head – jsmith@theroyal.school

Ruth Ingerfield-Lapsey - Head of PE - ril@theroyal.school

Mr P. Berry – Afterschool activity co-ordinator - pbe@theroyal.school

Primary School Secretary—01902 349100 – primaryreception@theroyal.school