

Y5 Bulletin: Autumn 2025

Autumn Term Topics



What was life like in
Tudor
England?



What is life like in the
alps?

The Year 5 Team

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You can speak to us at the end of each school day in the playground or you can contact us through the school office by calling 0207 736 2318 or by sending an email to y5@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

Our School Uniform is important - please make sure your child is wearing the correct clothes and shoes and that they have the correct PE kit. Please ensure that every item of your child's school uniform is named with a sewn on label or permanent pen.

School Start Time

8:45am

School End Time

3:30pm

PE Days: Wednesday and Thursday

Children should come dressed in their PE kit on these days.



Every day is vital - please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.



Your child is expected to bring in their reading folder everyday so that letters and books can be brought home for you and your child to read.

It is vital that you take time to read with your child as often as possible. Your child will be bringing a reading book home to read daily, along with a reading diary to record comments about their reading in.



Your child will be set homework every **Friday**:
CGP books for maths- weekly
CGP Grammar and Reading- alternate weeks

Dates for the diary

12th Sep Class Presentations for Parents 3pm

October- Black History Month

22nd Sep- Harvest Week- collection for Foodbank

10th Oct World Mental Health Day

20-21 Oct Parent Meetings

22-24 Oct- RE days

27- 31 Oct Half term

3rd Nov INSET day- no children in school

4 Nov Children return

9th Nov Remembrance Sunday

10-14th Nov - Kindness and anti- bullying Week

12th Nov - Positive Noticing Day

14th Nov Children in Need

28th Nov **recognise** St Andrew's Day (Thistles wear blue accessory)

11th Dec Christmas Lunch and jumper day

15-19th Dec- DT and RE week

19th Dec Last day (2pm finish)

We are always looking for ways to improve our school - please feel free to contact the school office if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

In our What was life like in Tudor England? History unit we will be learning about:

- Which of Henry's wives were most suitable
- Why people married in the Tudor period
- Why a baby boy was so important for Royal progression
- How to analyse a primary source
- How to consider different historical biases



In our What is life like in the alps?
Geography unit we will be learning about:



- Locate the Alps on a world map and identify and label the eight countries they spread through.
- Locate three physical and three human characteristics in the Alps.
- Research and describe the physical and human features of Innsbruck.
- Use a variety of data collection methods

In Art the class will be studying Portraits. Looking closely at proportions of the head, self portraits and developing their skills of observation. The children will study artists such as Pablo Picasso, Henri Matisse, Gwen John and Frieda Kahlo.

In Music pupils will be:

South Africa- Whole-class instrumental lessons on tuned percussion. This South Africa-themed unit develops pupils' rhythmic, singing and notation skills.

Singing- Children will develop their singing technique. Learning to keep in time and work on musical notation and rhythm.

English

Our first Talk for Writing unit will be based on the true story, 'Hidden Figures'. We'll be developing our non-fiction writing skills by working on producing an information text, with a focus on vocabulary and sentence structure.

We will be developing our reading skills through daily lessons, studying the texts 'Freedom' and 'Once'.

There will be continuing focus on Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.

Maths

Reading, writing and comparing numbers to 1 000 000

Making and identifying number patterns using knowledge of place value

Rounding numbers using number lines and bar graphs

Adding numbers within 1 000 000 using column method

Subtract using the column method to solve comparison problems

Finding multiples, factors and common factors

Defining and recognising prime, composite, square and cube numbers

In Character Curriculum, we will be learning about:

Being Me in My World
Celebrating Difference

In PE, we will be learning about:
Football! We have been learning a range of different skills and football drills which we can use in match play and on 1 v 1 bases. Next half term we will be looking at Netball/basketball.

Our RE focus this term is:

Worship and The true meaning of Christmas

In Spanish, we'll be learning about:

Presentaciones

Use the pronouns *yo* and *tu*

Use *tengo* to give your age

Say how old you are and where you come from.

Learn nationalities.

Talk about your family, use possessive adjective *mi*, *mis*.

Talk about your pets.

i phoneme

Telling the time

Learn how to tell the time in Spanish

In Computing, we will be learning about:

Sharing Information(IT): computer systems and communication.

Digital Literacy(DL) positive online communication and being responsible digital creators