

# Year 5

## Newsletter and Subjects Overview








### WELCOME BACK!

It's wonderful to welcome the children back to school after the summer holidays! They have all settled into year 5 brilliantly and it has been fantastic to see their enthusiasm for their learning and projects that they have started to work on. As it is their final year at Joseph Hood, we will aim to provide them with valuable learning and opportunities.

### HOME PROJECT DATES

The children will be given a table of projects and activity ideas to complete over the Summer term. These are voluntary, however, should the children wish to complete some of these learning tasks, the hand-in dates are as follows:

- 24<sup>th</sup> Sep Each Friday, the class teachers will select one child from each year group who has demonstrated exceptional effort and progress. These children will have the special opportunity to present their projects during our weekly 'Celebration Assembly'. Those who share their work will be invited to enjoy a delightful afternoon tea on the last Friday of each month.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Oct
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct
- 5<sup>th</sup> Nov
- 19<sup>th</sup> Nov
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec

<p><b>Rainforest Diorama:</b> Create a shoebox diorama of the rainforest, depicting its animals, plants, and resources.</p> 	<p><b>Design it!</b> Create your own Mayan style chocolate.</p> 	<p><b>Maya Pyramid Model:</b> Use clay, cardboard, or playdough to build a model of a Maya pyramid or temple.</p> 
<p><b>Diary entry:</b> Write a diary entry as if you were Fred in the Amazon Forest. Think about how he's feeling.</p> 	<p><b>Material Hunt!</b> Look around your house for different materials and think about their properties.</p> 	<p><b>Maths board game:</b> Invent your own board game, where you have to answer maths questions.</p> 



'Be the best you can'

### Key Dates

23rd October  
Bookfest trip

28th October - 1st November  
Half Term

4th November  
Inset Day

5th & 6th November  
Individual photos

12th November  
Chocolate Workshop

19th December  
Last day of Term



### ENGLISH & READING

This term, Year 5 will be exploring a range of writing genres including poetry, narratives and non-chronologic reports. Through these activities, they will develop their creative and expressive skills.

The class will also dive into some exciting books such as The Explorer and The Maya which will inspire their writing and deepen their understanding of storytelling and non-fiction.

In school we have copies of the books but children are welcome to bring books related to our topics.



### MATHS

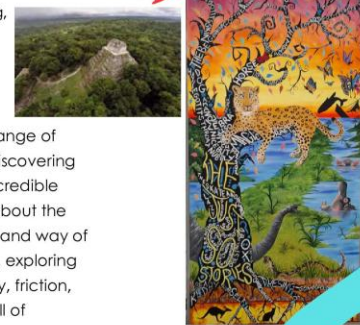
Year 5 will be focusing on several important topics in maths, including:

- Roman numerals
- Place value, partitioning, and rounding
- Estimating numbers
- Counting in hundred thousands
- Mental and written methods for addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division methods
- Converting and using fractions (adding, subtracting, dividing, multiplying)
- Converting units



### TOPIC

In the Autumn term, Year 5 will be diving into an exciting range of topics In Geography, we'll be exploring the Rainforest – discovering the unique layers, wildlife, and the importance of these incredible ecosystems. In History, we'll journey back in time to learn about the Maya civilization, uncovering their culture, achievements, and way of life. In Science, we'll be investigating Materials and Forces, exploring how different materials behave and how forces like gravity, friction, and air resistance affect the world around us. It's a term full of discovery and hands-on learning!



### Extra information

#### PE DAYS:

Wednesday and Thursdays

Children should come in wearing their PE kit.

Thank you from the Year 5 team

Mrs Ryan and Miss Nunoo

Mrs Qureshi, Miss Kim, Mrs Ashleigh, Miss Shelby,

Ms Mills

