



Year 5 Homework letter - Thursday 3rd July 2025

Assessment Week

We have had assessment week for the four days of school this week, which has meant a reading test, a piece of writing, two maths tests and a spelling test. I can assure you that everyone set their minds to the task and carried on despite the hot weather. *And now it's over*—on to the fun stuff!

The Fun Stuff—Science

We have reached the planning and modelling stage of our Dyson Design **Engineering Project**. *Tuesday's lesson was all about picking an everyday object and thinking how it could be better.* The children have come up with a selection of objects—bags, stationery holders and fans—and have been busy planning their specifications which will be turned into prototypes next week. Please talk to your child about what they think they can bring in to school to help make a fantastic prototype. It may be cardboard, fabric, tape, netting... they will know best.

The Fun Stuff—History

As we reach the end of our Mayan topic, we took the opportunity in our lesson today to study the types of food that the Mayan people grew and ate. Luckily, one of the



Mayans most revered foods was chocolate! With the help of Mrs Vennard, our regular Thursday helper, Year 5 sampled typical

Mayan hot chocolate before deciding whether they thought that maize or chocolate was most important to Mayan civilization.

Next Week

Next week, as a schoolwide initiative, Year 5 will have a series of Relationships Education lessons focusing on Changing Me. We will also be making our Design Prototype Models and starting a short project on Climate Change, a topic that dovetails very nicely with our English book, *The Last Bear*. The children will also continue to practise the songs for the Year 6 production.

Hi everyone

It's been great to be back with Year 5 this week - hot but fun. I'm looking forward to working with the children until the end of term and, hopefully, joining them for the residential in September!

Mrs Fine

Transition Day

Move up day went well yesterday, when your children spent a super afternoon in Year 6 with Mrs Cordey.



The Van Gogh Experience was out of this world!

Dates for your Diary

Fri 4 July—**INSET Day**

Mon 7 July & Tues 8 July, afternoons—

Art Exhibition in the Hall

Tues 8 July, 3:15-4:15pm—**Open Day**

Thurs 10 July, 6p-7pm—**Summer Concert**

Tues 15 July & Wed 16 July, 6pm —

Y6 Production with Y5 chorus (for those children taking part)

Friday 18 July—**End of Year Church Service at Christchurch**

Tuesday 22 July—**Last Day of Term**

Homework

Spellings—Please complete the spellings set on Purple Mash.

Maths—Please continue to have your child practise their times tables on TTRS!

Reading—Your child should be reading for 15-20 minutes a night. This should then be recorded in their Reading Records. If they need a new reading record, please do let me know.

Enjoy your weekend,

Mrs Fine & Mrs Ross

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Spellings	1 st Attempt	2 nd Attempt	3 rd Attempt	4 th Attempt	5 th Attempt
excellent					
familiar					
identity					
privilege					
recognise					
yacht					
sufficient					
rhythm					
leisure					
soldier					