



Year 5 Homework Letter – Friday 12th September 2025

Our Learning This Week

English and Maths

This week, the children have participated in their baseline assessments. For English, this has comprised of the reading and comprehension papers they sat at the end of Year 4. This included the analysis of a piece of poetry, two pieces of non-fiction and one piece of fiction. For their writing, the children were asked to write a letter to a fictitious child joining the school describing what life at Nutfield Church Primary is like. These were then assessed according to the end of Year 4 writing expectations. With regards to Maths, the children sat the Year 4 tests from the last academic year. Through this process, we are able to ascertain the learning the children have retained from the previous year and identify any gaps in their knowledge. This then enables us to give them the best start to Year 5 to ensure progression for all. Next week, we shall be starting our new English text 'The Man Who Walked Between Two Towers' and in Maths we will be starting our first unit on Place Value.

Homework

The English activities are to learn Autumn 1 Week 1 spellings and to read each evening for 15-20 minutes. For Maths, the children must practice all of their times tables on Purple Mash. Their login details for Purple Mash can be found in their reading logs.

Expressive Arts

We have started to learn about our focused artist for this term, Vincent Van Gogh. The children have been given an introduction to his style of art and drew their own self-portraits which have been used for our school value 'Community' display board.

P.E

Thank you for sending the children in wearing their P.E kits on Monday. We have started one of our new sports for this half term of tag rugby. We focused on learning how to dodge along with how to pass the rugby ball and score a try. The children did really well in this and built on their skills they had learnt about rugby in Year 4.

Science

In Science, we have started our new topic on 'Animals including Humans'. We learnt about the different gestation periods of mammals and explored possible reason for certain mammals having longer periods of gestation than others. This topic will build well on some of the learning we experienced during our RSE week in Year 4, specifically looking at how a baby is made in the animal world as well as in humans.

Dates for your Diary

17.09.25 - Wellbeing Wednesday (full PE kit)
W/C 06.10.25 - Love Project Launch week
16.10.25 - Harvest Service at Christ Church
9.05am
27 to 31.10.25 - Half term
24,25,26 11.25 - Parent and Carer Meetings
W/C 01.12.25 - SSA Parent and Carer Meetings
11.12.25 - Nasal Flu Vaccination

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Rutter, Miss Oastler and Miss Lindsay