

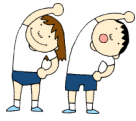
Falcon and Kestrel Class

Monday 15th September 2025

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful summer break!

PE This term:

The PE timetable for Term 1 is as follows:



Monday	Wednesday
Outdoor—Football	Indoor—Gym

Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit on the appropriate days. For Gym and outdoor PE, your child should wear the appropriate kit to school. Please note, crop tops, leggings, football kits and brightly-coloured hoodies are not part of our uniform.

As the weather may turn colder, please make sure that your child has tracksuit bottoms and a jacket to wear during outdoor PE sessions.

If your child has difficulty in removing earrings themselves, please ensure they are taken out at home on the morning of PE days.

Term 1 Foundation Subjects:

In Geography lessons this term, we will begin our exploration of the continent of Asia, with particular emphasis on: India, China, Japan, South Korea and Indonesia. We will be learning about the physical geography and climate of these countries and, in Art and Design lessons, we will explore the artwork of Hokusai (Japan) and compare it with that of Ethleen Palme (Australia). In our Science topic of 'Humans and other animals', the children will explore the stages of the human life cycle. The children will learn about Hinduism in RE. In Music, the children will be learning a range of songs, linked to the theme of Harvest Festival. In Spanish, they will learn how to themselves to others, developing their listening, speaking, reading and writing skills.



Reading:

Please encourage and support your child with reading at home every day. Home reading should be recorded in your child's Reading Record Book (including an adult's signature), which should be brought into school each day.



It is beneficial for your child to enjoy the book with you and to engage in discussions about the characters and content of the book etc. We will send home examples of questions you can ask your child when reading with them, for your information.

Each time your child finishes a book, they will take the Accelerated Reading Quiz in school, which will check their understanding of what they have read. Scores are monitored and any change to your child's ZPD range will be recorded in their Reading Record Book.

Homework:

Homework will be sent home on Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday.

Spelling homework will be sent home weekly and will focus on the spelling pattern taught that week.

Maths homework will comprise of tasks linked to the learning during the week and/or Times Table Rock Stars activities. Please also continue to support your child with learning and developing rapid recall of the times tables facts (up to 12x tables). Children will have the choice of which Topic and Science homework they complete. We will suggest a range of tasks, on a termly basis, and we would expect the children to choose 2-3 activities to complete per term. This has proven very popular in the past and we have been very impressed at the standard of the work the children have brought in to share with their classmates. Topic/ Science homework is celebrated and displayed in class.

Dates:

Friday 19th September: Jeans for Genes Day
Friday 26th September: European Languages Day
Friday 17th October: Last day of term
Tuesday 4th November: Term 2 begins

If you have any questions, concerns or comments at all please do not hesitate to let us know through Dojo, by email or by making an appointment through the office.

Thank you from the Year 5 team.