

Elder Class - Year 5
Autumn 2

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I hope you have all had a restful half term and are now ready for the lead up to Christmas!
As always, if you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to send me a message on Dojo. I am also available most days after school if you would like a brief chat. Thank you– Mr Carberry

Topic

This half term we will be learning about our own village, considering how Oxenhope has changed over time, the rise/fall in population, the human and physical features and we will also consider how it might change in the future. *If you have any old pictures they would be greatly appreciated. We will use our English book (Coming Home) to learn about where Oxenhope is in relation to other villages/ towns/cities as we find out about the Robin's migration journey.

Class Dojo

Dojo will be my primary method of communication with you again this half term. Please ensure you check this regularly for any messages, reminders or information. If you have any queries or questions please send me a message on here and I will get back to you as soon as possible. If you are having any difficulties accessing Dojo please contact the office.

Water/Snacks

Children need filled water bottles in school daily (please ensure this is water, not juice). Also, they are encouraged to bring a healthy snack for morning break (such as fruit, vegetable sticks, cheese or a cereal bar) - this should help boost concentration until lunch. Thank you!

PE/Outdoor learning

We will be having 2 sessions of PE per week again this half term. **Swimming will take place on a Wednesday afternoon**. Please ensure your child comes to school with their swimming kit (swim shorts or costumes), a towel and a snack for afterwards.
Our first session of **PE will be on a Monday**. Pupils can come to school in their PE kits on this day - please also ensure they have a waterproof coat as we may be outside.

This half term we will be doing outdoor learning on a Wednesday so please ensure your child comes in warm clothes and a waterproof coat. It would be really helpful to bring a bag containing spare pair of shoes (e.g. wellies/boots) as the nature area can get really muddy, especially at this time of year.

RE

Our theme in school this term is Community. We will discussing what this means, who is in our community and how we can help these people, linking these ideas to bible teachings.
In RE lessons our big question is 'Was Jesus the Messiah?' Here we will be looking at the stories from the Old and New Testaments and will discuss reasons why people may/may not have considered Jesus to be the saviour.

Key Dates

Dartboard mathematics – 05/11
Children in Need – 13/11
Hall Green Baptist Church visit- 17/11
BDAT Carol Concert – 03/12

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on multiplication + division, fractions and geometry. This will involve recapping the formal written methods, reading tables and graphs and finding multiples and factors. We will also have regular arithmetic lessons to reinforce our times table knowledge, mathematical skills and improve our calculation techniques.

Writing

In English lessons we will continue our text-based approach to teaching and learning. All of our writing lessons will be based around a central text (Coming Home) and will involve a variety of reading, GPS and writing activities. We will build our stamina for writing over the half term using the chapters to write in a variety of genres, with a particular focus on poetry. We will then complete a 'hot write' at the end of the half term to demonstrate the skills we have acquired over the unit. We will also have time dedicated to key GPS skills every day.

Homework

A list of topic-based homework choices will be sent separately/on Dojo. Pupils can choose which pieces they would like to complete and send in through Dojo or return to class. This list is not exhaustive and should just be used as a guide. Please be as creative as you would like!

Please ensure you read with your child as regularly as possible, making notes in their partnership book. They will not be able to change their levelled reading book until we can see a comment from an adult, showing they have read this at home.

Reading

This half term we will continue having 3 guided reading sessions each week. We will also have the opportunity to read independently and visit the school library. Our library day this half term is Wednesday Please ensure you bring your book every week, even if you are keeping it so it can be renewed.

Remember to read regularly to an adult at home, getting them to write a comment in your partnership book each time. I look forward to reading these comments as you change your book. Please also bring these to school every day so we can change these regularly and the teachers can see what you have been reading at home.

Year 5 at a glance - Autumn 2!

In addition to the core subjects in a morning, here is an insight into the lessons we will be doing each afternoon and information about anything extra you may need each day.

Monday	PSHE, music, DT, art - come to school in your **PE Kit**
Tuesday	Geography, Spanish - nothing extra required today.
Wednesday	Computing , **Swimming** and Outdoor learning – Please bring swimming costumes and a towel. We will also visit the library and try to change completed reading books.
Thursday	Science
Friday	RE.

Please bring your reading book and your reading record to school every day.