

Spring 2 2025 - Welcome back!



We hope you've all had a lovely February half term break. This half term our topic will be focused on history- Crime and punishment.

The Staff in Year 5 are:

Kingfisher Class: Miss Potter (Wed-Fri) & Mrs Betts (Mon & Tues) Owl Class: Miss Dobb Mrs Deller, Mrs Phillips and Mrs Gibbons are our Teaching Assistants in Year 5.

Our Topic in the Spring Term 2

We start this half term with the question, "Did the punishment always fit the crime?". We will focus on the areas below:

History	Crime and punishment
Science	Properties and changes of materials
Art	Crime and Punishment/ Portraiture
Computing	Image
PE	Gymnastics and tennis
English	Formal letters and portal story: Fiction.
Maths	Decimals, percentages, perimeter, area and shape
PSHE	Rights and Respects
French	Les Habitats
RE	Buddhism

PE will be on a Tuesday (indoor) and a Thursday (outdoor)

Please ensure that your child <u>comes to school dressed in their PE kit on their day.</u> They should have the appropriate PE kit in accordance with the school PE kit policy. Please note that jewellery is <u>not</u> permitted in PE lessons for safety reasons. If your child cannot take their earrings out, please make sure they have been removed before school. Children with long hair should wear their hair up during PE lessons so please ensure they have a bobble.

Reading - Our class text will be: The Highway Man

Reading is such an important skill, and it is pleasing to see so many children with a love of reading. Whilst we do not often listen to individual readers, we do spend time discussing texts within taught reading sessions. We do expect children to continue to read at home, ideally at least 3 times a week, from as wide a range of reading materials as possible. We would appreciate it if you could spend a few minutes either listening to or discussing with your child what they have read. We will continue to check each child's reading diary at the end of each week to ensure that the children are reading at least 3 times. We are aiming for 1000 reads before the children are treated to another reading treat!

Spellings

Children will continue to receive a set of spellings each week. It is important that children bring their organisers to school each day so that they have their spelling lists with them during practice time. Each Friday there will be a test of the week's spellings and every half term we will test children on about 20 words which all follow the spelling rules we have learnt over the half term.

How can I support my child with their homework?

- 1. Listen to them read or talk about their book 3 times a week. When this is evidenced in their organiser, it counts towards a class treat.
- 2. Use the Doodle Maths program twice a week for at least 15 minutes on each visit to the site. Each child has their own log-in where they access personalised work.
- 3. Help them with the learning of their weekly spellings. Spellings are given out and tested on a Friday.

Other dates

Year 5 trip to the Galleries of Justice- 26th February. Parents' Evening -4^{th} and 5^{th} March World Book Day- 6^{th} March

If you have any questions about the curriculum or if you require any support, please let us know on class dojo.

For urgent matters please phone school or use admin@rbps.org.uk as we may not check the class emails every day.

Many thanks and best wishes,

The Year 5 Team