



# Thunberg 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- Miss Cooper

### Topic



This half term we will be learning about the Tudors. This will involve the War of the Roses, King Henry VIII, Tudor life and how Britain has changed since these times. We will look at Hobein's portraits and will recreate our own to show our knowledge of Henry VIII and his wives. We will also create food eaten during these times!

We will use our English book (Coming Home) to learn about counties and cities in the UK 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.

### PE/Outdoor learning

We will be having 2 sessions of PE per week again this half term. Swimming will continue to take place on a Monday morning. Please ensure your child's bag is large enough to hold their shoes and clothes and that all of this is labelled. We also have another 4 sessions of rugby with the Keighley Cougars on a Tuesday morning. Pupils can come to school in their PE kits on a Tuesday - please also ensure they have a waterproof coat as we will be outside.



This half term we will be doing outdoor learning on a Friday (whatever the weather) so please ensure your child comes in warm clothes, a waterproof coat and suitable shoes. It would also be really helpful to bring a bag containing spare pair of shoes for when we return inside after these sessions.

### RE

Our theme in school this half term is Service. We will be discussing what this means and talk about how we can serve others, linking these to bible teachings.

In RE lessons our big question is 'How can following God bring freedom and justice?' Here we will be looking at the story of Moses and will also recap the 10 commandments, discussing the relevance of each.



### Key Dates

- Every Friday 2:30 - KS2 Celebration assembly!
- Tuesday 9th Nov - Flu spray
- Friday 19th Nov - Children in Need
- Tues 23rd/Wed 24th Nov - Parents eve
- Thursday 16th Dec - Christmas Service
- Friday 17th Dec - School closes

### Maths

This half term we will be focusing on statistics and multiplication/division and will also start looking at area/perimeter. This will involve recapping the formal written methods, reading tables and graphs and finding multiples and factors. We will also have daily arithmetic lessons to reinforce our times table knowledge, 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.

### 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 Thursday. 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 reading record each time. I look forward to reading these comments as you change your book. Please also bring these to school 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 by Wednesday. This list is not exhaustive and should just be used as a guide. Please be as creative as you would like!

There will also be 1 or 2 Mathletics tasks to try each week to consolidate the learning we have done in class.

Please ensure you read with your child each night too, making notes in their reading record book.

## **Year 5 at a glance - Autumn 2!**

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

Monday	Swimming, PSHE and Science. <b>Swimming kits</b> needed today.
Tuesday	Computing and PE - Come to school in your <b>outdoor PE kit</b> and bring a waterproof coat.
Wednesday	History/Geography. <b>Homework</b> due in - please ensure it is on Dojo by today.
Thursday	RE. Library session today - bring your <b>library book</b> to renew or exchange.
Friday	Outdoor learning - Please bring a bag containing a change of footwear ( <b>wellies/walking boots</b> ) and extra clothing to suit the weather.
<b>Please bring your reading book and record to school with you every day.</b>	