

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the beginning of the second half of the year! As we look forward to coming out of our winter hibernation and enjoying the first signs of Spring, we can look back at the fantastic hard work and progress the children have already made this year. We are all looking forward to seeing how the children of Year 5 'strive towards excellence' and enjoy the coming half term of learning and fun!!

Dates for your Diary

Monday 4th March 2019 Parents' Evening.

Monday 4th March 2019 - Edinburgh Art Day.

Wednesday 6th March 2019 - Parents' Evening.

Thursday 7th March 2019 - World Book Day.

Tuesday 12th March 2019 - Science Fair.

Friday 15th March 2019 - Rocket Launch Challenge.

Mon 18th - Tues 19th March 2019 - Hands on Science
'Fireworks' Workshop.

Thurs 21st March 2019 - Open Maths Classroom.

Mon 25th March 2019 - Stirling Art Day.

Thurs 28th-Fri 29th March 2019 - LONDON Trip



How Parents/Carers can help at home...

The expectation for home learning is daily reading practise, a weekly 20 minute Maths and English task plus a weekly 10 minute spelling practice. We really value your interest in your child's learning as this has a tremendous impact on their success in the classroom.

Thank you,
Year 5 Team



Nine Acres Primary School

Spring Term 2

Year 5 Team

Mrs Scott



Miss Boxell



Miss Hancox



Mrs Winter



Mrs Sibbick



Parent Information Leaflet



'Striving for Excellence'

Year 5 - Spring Term 2 2019 - Egyptians



Theme

Let's travel back 5000 years to the dusty realms of Ancient Egypt. We will cruise along the Nile, entering a world of mysteries and curses, mummies and kings. We will become apprentices and work for Ramose, the chief embalmer at the Beautiful House and help him to prepare a body for its journey into the Afterlife. We will find out about life on the fertile river banks of the Nile, discovering Egypt and its fascinating culture. Step back as we unravel the secrets of ancient tombs, using historical sources and age-old artefacts. Prepare to be amazed at the clay water carrier replicas we plan to create and come to see our wonderful designs!



Science

This half term we will be enjoying lots of exciting opportunities to learn more about how the world works with 'Science Week!' We will have a Science Fayre on the 12th March, as well as visitors from Hands On Science coming in to do a workshop on Fireworks the following week.

In class, we will be using our knowledge of forces to research, design, manufacture, test, promote and race the fastest car possible, driven by compact compressed air.

Religious Education

In RE, we will be focusing on the concept of justice and its relevance across a number of religions. Pupils will then consider how the concept of justice applies to their own lives.

PE

PE is on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure your child has a PE top, shorts, navy jogging bottoms, navy PE hoody and a change of socks & appropriate footwear (especially if they are walking home).

Mathematics

Parents will be welcomed to experience a maths lesson in Year 5 on the morning of Thursday 21st March.

This term, its all about bits and pieces! Fractions are our main focus, investigating subtracting then multiplying fractions. We will then be looking at finding fractions of an amount. Following on from this, we will begin to develop our understanding of decimals. We will be looking at numbers up to 2 decimal places and conversion between fractions and decimals. Can you help us to spot where this would be useful in real life?

English

Our book this half term is 'The London Eye Mystery,' which tells the story of how Ted investigates the mystery of how his cousin, Salim, seemingly vanishes from inside a sealed capsule on the [London Eye](#). We will launch our learning journey, by writing descriptions of not only London but other cities around the world. We will get to know the main character Ted through our inference and deduction skills. We will use this knowledge to write a detailed character profile. We will be reporting on Salim's mysterious disappearance by writing an article for a local newspaper. A highlight of our learning journey will be the trip to London, to experience the London Eye first hand. This will then inspire an exciting recount. Finally we will end our journey by writing an alternative ending for the London Eye Mystery.



London Trip

Our overnight trip to London is on 28th and 29th March. Many exciting experiences lay ahead and a letter with a full breakdown of the trip will be sent to you soon.

