



Bradwell Village School

Year Five Newsletter

January 2020

Dates for your Diary

7 th Jan	Back to school
7 th – 17 th Jan	Creative Weeks
17 th Jan	Open pm 2.15
13 th Feb	School Disco Yrs 3 & 4 5 to 6pm Yrs 5 & 6 6.15 to 7.15pm
14 th Feb	School breaks for half term
24 th Feb	Back to school
26 th & 27 th Feb	Parents Evenings
3 rd Apr	School breaks for Easter
20 th Apr	Return back to school

School Uniform

A reminder that all hair adornments should be small and either blue, black or white.

Can all clothing, especially jumpers cardigans and coats be **clearly labelled** with the child's name. We already have lost property gathering.

Please ensure that all children are bringing coats to wear at playtimes and appropriate warm clothing for Outdoor Games.



Dear Parent/Carer,

The first term has flown by and we are now welcoming in the Spring Term and a new year!

We are kicking off the New Year with a Creative Fortnight based around inspirational people. We would love for you to come and work with us on Thursday 9th January at 10am. When all the hard work is done we invite you to our open afternoon from 2.15pm on Friday 17th January so you can come and celebrate the work with Year Five.

Our Topic for the Spring Term is 'Every Cloud' which mainly focuses on rivers of today and in the past, the Water Cycle and Bridges.

Our parent consultation evenings are on Wednesday 26th February from 3.30-7.00pm and Thursday 27th February from 3.30-6.00pm. In the meantime if you have any questions please contact us.

Parking

Please avoid parking across the school entrance gates and be mindful of all pedestrians between 3 and 3.30. Encourage your child to wear something bright – high vis.



Autumn Term Highlights

Keeping Bikeability last term, despite being very wet, went very well and was enjoyed by all.

BVS raised a substantial amount of money for Macmillan on our coffee morning.

The Christmas play was a fabulous triumph and many thanks go to all the children who performed and the staff who helped make it such a success.

BVS tuck shop has kicked off and is providing much loved snacks at playtime. This is proving to be very popular. Thank you Mrs Anderson and Mrs Okell for arranging this.



Healthy Tuck shop is up and running and doing well.

Things to look forward to this Spring

Year Six are off to the Space Centre in Leicestershire as part of their Spring Topic.

Year Five are planning visits to the recycling centre.

There are more Class Assemblies:

4KM 27th Jan

4CH 3rd Feb

4HBS 10th Feb

3JW 2nd March

3TB 9th March

3JT 16th March

Finally, Homework will be set each week and can be found on the school website. Please encourage your child/children to read as much as possible.

Should you have any concerns, contact the class teacher initially. Year Team Managers are also available to help.

Online Safety

Please refer to these website links for more information on how to keep your children safe on the internet.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk>

or <https://www.nspcc.org.uk>

Year 5 Teaching Staff

Mr Townsend (Year Team Leader and Class Teacher), **Miss Vivian** (Class Teacher), **Mrs Adams** (Class Teacher).

Learning Support Assistants **Mrs Keep**, **Mrs Bardsley** and **Mrs Swan**.

Subject Overviews



English

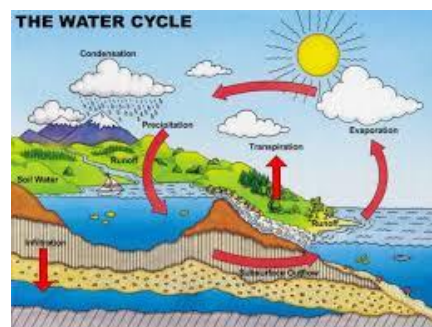
We will be reading the novel *Kensuke's Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo and writing narratives and newspaper articles inspired by it. In addition, we will continue to focus on the basics of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Mathematics

This term we will be continuing to work on number, shape and space, measures and data handling and we will be applying our knowledge to solve worded problems. Our Back to Basics sessions will continue to develop the children's rapid mental recall of number bonds and times tables through games and practical activities. Please encourage your child to keep learning their Times Tables, they can do this by logging on to TTRockstars.

Science

We will be learning where water comes from and how it is used to create power. We will record how weather changes over time and understand how rivers provide habitats for wildlife. We will be investigating earth and space and learning that the earth spins on its axis and how we have night and day. We will understand the relationship between the earth and the moon and why the sun appears to move across the sky. We will also compare other planet's relationship with the sun.



Computing

We will be continuing to develop our skills of coding and also using ICT within our topic lessons for presentations.

Games and PE



In Games and PE we will be developing our badminton skills and further working on the skills and strategies needed for playing sports such as tag rugby and basketball.

PE Kits – ST and LJV – Tuesday and Friday

GA – Tuesday and Wednesday

French

After the success of French day in the Autumn term learning about food and drink, we will have another French Day in the Spring term.



RE/PSHE

In RE we will be learning about the religion of Hinduism. In PSHE we will be learning about rules and laws, human rights and the effects of legal and illegal drugs.

Topic

This term's topic is '**Every Cloud**'.



In **History** we will be comparing the uses of rivers today to those in the past.

In **Geography** we will be learning about the water cycle, how clouds are formed and features of rivers, mountains and coasts. We will be identifying UK Rivers. We will be thinking about the advantages and disadvantages of flooding and how the lower river changes the landscapes. We will be comparing extreme weathers and understanding about climates around the world.

In **Art** we will examine how artists have interpreted weather and how they have used rivers and water in their work. We will be creating work inspired by the artists we study.



In **Design and Technology** we will find out how bridges are built and design and construct our own bridges.

In **Music** we are learning to listen and appreciate different genres of music and be learning to play an instrument.

For our **International Links** we will discuss the effect of water pollution and appreciate how charities get involved in solving water pollution. We will be thinking of what we can do to improve our environment.

Visitors and Visits

Each class will be visiting the Milton Keynes Recycling Factory this term and we have a visitor from Anglian Water coming in to talk to us about water conservation and cleaning. Additionally we will visit the local church to take part in 'Easter Cracked'.