

# Year 5 Learning Letter

Autumn 2



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## Dates for your diary

Monday 11th - 15th November - Anti-bullying Week - Choose Respect (Wear Odd Socks on **Tuesday 12th November!**)

Wednesday 20th November - Children's Day

Thursday 28th November - Year 5 Forest School

Tuesday 3rd December - Years 3 and 4 Winter Shows (6.30pm)

Thursday 5th December - Years 5 and 6 Winter Shows (6.30pm)

Saturday 7th December - Winter Fair

Wednesday 11th December - Panto (Years 1-6)

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 20th December - Last day of term

SPRING TERM - Tuesday 7th January 2025 - Children return to school

## Routines

**Outdoor PE - Wednesday**

**Indoor PE - Tuesday (5B) or Thursday (5E)**

## Home Learning

**Maths: Set Friday - due Wednesday**

**English: Set every Friday - due Friday two weeks later (set every week)**

**Spelling: Learnt for one week in school, sent home Monday of week 2, test at end of week 2 (Friday)**

## Our Learning Journey

### History: Medical Marvels

This half-term, we will be learning about the history of medicine through our Medical Marvels topic. We will be looking at the differences and similarities of how diseases were understood and treated, from Ancient Greece to the Victorians.

## Outdoor Learning

This year, we will be having our Forest School sessions at Peckham Rye. Please ensure that your child has suitable, weather appropriate clothing and footwear on:

## Thursday 28th November

On this date, we will be looking for parent volunteers. Please email the Year 5 teachers if you are available.

## PE Day

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit: white polo shirt; black/navy jogging bottoms, and trainers.

**Please send children to school in their PE kit on their PE days.**

## English

### Reading

We will continue to follow the whole class model of teaching reading, beginning with our new novel 'How High the Moon' by Karyn Parsons. We will also be reading non-fiction texts linked to our Medical Marvel topic including a biography of Marie Curie and information texts about Leprosy and Chromatography. We would, as always, encourage you to read with your child on a regular basis.

### Writing

Our current topic is a non-fiction unit about non-chronological reports. By the end of the topic, the children will be able to write a non-chronological report using a range of sentence structures and literary devices.

## Maths

Our maths learning this half term includes:

### Money

- Explaining and representing money
- Comparing money
- Converting between pounds and pence
- Adding and subtracting money

### Negative numbers

- Interpreting numbers greater than and less than zero in different contexts
- Reading and writing negative numbers
- Explaining how the value of a number relates to its position from zero
- Identifying and placing negative numbers on a number line
- Interpreting sets of negative and positive numbers in a range of contexts
- Using knowledge of positive and negative numbers to calculate intervals
- Explaining how negative numbers are used on a coordinate grid
- Using knowledge of positive and negative numbers to interpret graphs

## Science

This term, the children will be learning about the properties and uses of everyday materials.

## Other Curriculum Areas

**Art** - <https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/teaching-learning/art/>

**PSHE** - <https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/teaching-learning/values-and-pshe/>

### Computing -

<https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/teaching-learning/computing-and-it/>

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