

Welcome to Year 5

Autumn Term 2023



A very warm welcome to all parents and carers of children in Year 5. We are sure your child is going to have a wonderful year with us. Please find below lots of useful information about the new term. If you have any questions or if there is anything you are unsure about please don't hesitate to contact us via email. We are looking forward to working closely with you and your child and we value your continued support.

Class Teachers	<p>5AR Mrs Alcock (debbie.alcock@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk) 5AR Mrs Ryan (vicki.ryan@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk) 5M Mr Miller (smiller@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk) Mrs Tang—English groups Mon-Thurs mornings</p>
Teaching Assistants	Mrs Thacker, Mrs White, Mrs Mason, Miss Hallett and Mrs Donovan
Homework	<p>Reading: at least 4 times a week, please sign Home School Diary to show your child has read Spellings: handed out on a Tuesday for a test the following Tuesday Maths: A piece of consolidation work will be handed out every Tuesday to be handed in the following Monday (this will be further practise of work we have already covered in class) Times Tables Rockstars: Regular times tables practice little and often</p>
Home School Diary	Your child has a brand new Home School Diary with lots of important information in. Please help your child look to after this and remember to bring it into school every day as we will be using it in class.
PE	<p>Tuesdays and Fridays Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school all week.</p>
English	Our class text will be Coraline by Neil Gaiman. We will be investigating a range of different settings where characters are transported from one world to another. Children will then write their own stories using effective openings, endings and a change of setting . Four days a week there will be a dedicated reading session focusing on the teaching of comprehension skills through a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry.
Maths	We will cover place value of numbers up to 1 million which will include reading and writing numbers, comparing, ordering and rounding. We will also practise the formal methods of column addition and subtraction up to five digit numbers.
Geography	Our first Geography topic will be Earth. We will explore the wonders of mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes , including how they are formed and their impact on humans.
Science	This half term, our topic is Forces where we will see them in action through a range of practical experiments. Next half term, we will explore the wonders of Space and our Solar System .
Computing	We will be using Scratch to design, write and debug programmes using computer-coding knowledge in the first half term. After half term, we will be developing out graphical drawing skills using Sketchpad.
Art	Our main topic will be based upon the artwork of Peter Thorpe , exploring a variety of paint techniques.
PSHE	Our PSHE topics this term are Being Me in My World and Celebrating Differences . These themes are explored in the classroom and through whole school assemblies.
RE	We will learn about characters and stories from the Old Testament and explore the Bible in Christianity.
French/Music	French will be taught by Mrs Alcock and music by Mr Parnell on alternating Fridays .