



Year 5

Just To Let You Know

11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now back in the swing of things and the children have risen beautifully to the new challenges and expectations of Year 5.

The children have been made aware of the spelling book, reading record and homework routines for this year, which we have included here for reference.

Throughout the year, we will be setting 3 pieces of homework a week, starting next week:

1. Spelling: This will be 10 words which we introduce on Tuesdays and test the following Tuesday, after the weekend. They will be related to our phonics-based approach to spelling.
2. Reading: Each child has been sent home with a red reading record which they will need to hand in every Monday. We would expect a minimum of 3 reads a week. This could be reading pages from a fiction or non-fiction book, a recipe, a newspaper article, the subtitles from a movie, a comic strip or even the instructions from a manual. They will need to get their red book signed by an adult to acknowledge the read, however children should be responsible for recording any reads they do.
3. Maths and English: Every Wednesday, the children will receive a print out of either a maths or English sheet which they need to complete. They can do this alone or with help. We encourage them to do it as soon as possible and they are welcome to hand it in earlier than the deadline.

We are looking forward to our Buddy Day in the Chantries on Thursday 26th September. All classes are in need of parent walking volunteers to make the trip viable, so please do let your child's class teacher(s) know if you are available and would like to join us!

Have a lovely weekend!

Team 5—Kayleigh, Scarlett, JJ and Helen

Maths

In maths, we have continued to consolidate our place value knowledge up to the hundreds of thousands.

English

This week, we have imagined the story so far from the characters' perspectives in *The Firework Maker's Daughter* in English.

Geography and Science

In geography we have been looking at maps and in science we have explored the properties of various recyclable materials

Spelling/Phonics

There will be no homework or spelling test this week due to the High Ashurst trip.

Upcoming Dates

Thursday 24th September: Buddy morning at the Chantries (PE kit and a snack required, lunch as usual at school)

Tuesday 29th September: Parents' Evening

Thursday 1st October: Parents' Evening

Monday 12th October: Tempest individual photos (school uniform with blue jumper – children should bring their PE kits to change into for the afternoon)

Friday 16th October: FLUFFY Friday (home clothes)

Monday 19th October -Friday 30th October: INSET (19th /20th) then half term

Thursday 5th November: Tower of London (4:30pm return) (School uniform and packed lunch)

Friday 6th November: 5JH RGS trip (School uniform and packed lunch)

Friday 20th November: 5K RGS trip (School uniform and packed lunch)

Friday 27th November: 5S RGS trip (School uniform and packed lunch)

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th December: Play week

Thursday 17th: Church Service

Friday 18th December: Last day of term (early finish)

Towns



The Trouble with Power



SPACE



Topics

Ancient Civilisations



Tides



Bits and Bobs

- Trip helpers and parent volunteers
- [Just to Let You Know](#), [newsletter](#), [Parentmail](#)
- Healthy snacks
- Please name **ALL** clothing and equipment
- Uniform, jewelry and hair ties
- Music lessons
- [After school clubs](#)
- Breakfast Club and Clubs +
pups@htpd.surrey.sch.uk

Dates for your diary



Thursday 24th September- Buddy Day
Thursday 5th November- Tower of London Trip
Friday 6th November -RGS Tudor Day (5JH)
Friday 20th November -RGS Tudor Day (5K)
Friday 27th November -RGS Tudor Day (5S)
Spring Term 25th February- Winchester Science Centre
Tuesday 11th – Friday 14th May – Brenscombe Farm Residential

Please check the school calendar regularly

How to Contact Us

N.B. 5JH parents, please copy in both class teachers.

JJ - JJW@htpd.surrey.sch.uk
Helen - helenc@htpd.surrey.sch.uk
Kayleigh - kayleigha@htpd.surrey.sch.uk
Scarlett - scarlett@htpd.surrey.sch.uk
juniors@htpd.surrey.sch.uk - regarding attendance

PE

PE Days

Monday and Wednesday



PE Kit

Children need to come to school in PE kit on their PE days

All children must have appropriate trainers for running around

Long hair must be tied up – at all times

PE kit- house coloured t-shirt, navy/black shorts or skort, or

tracksuit bottoms.

Earrings must be removed or if they cannot be taped over in the morning.

Homework Schedule

Day	Handed out	Taken in	Spelling
Monday		Reading Record	
Tuesday	Reading Record		Spelling Test Introduce new Spelling
Wednesday	English or Maths	English or Maths	