



Year 5

Just To Let You Know

9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a lovely week enjoying yet more sunshine. Sadly, our cross-country day was the only day that it poured, so this has been postponed until next Wednesday.

Next week, the children will be enjoying their first FLUFFY in Year 5. Please look out for any letters regarding their choices, especially if they have chosen an off-site activity.

As we reach the end of our first term with year 5, the children have really impressed us with their attitude to learning and with homework and reading records being handed in on time. We have been especially pleased with the care and attention the children have shown in presenting their work neatly. Their focus on high standards of presentation across all subjects has been impressive and is making a real difference to the quality of their learning.

Children have been getting ready for our Harvest festival assembly, on Wednesday 14th October, with upbeat songs. You may like to make a donation on ParentPay or we will also be collecting donations of cupboard goods for the Food Bank. items that are particularly helpful include:

- Laundry liquid
- Spray cleaner
- Drinking chocolate
- Spreads (jam, honey, marmalade, Marmite or chocolate spread)
- Tea
- Tinned tomatoes

In 5JH class, Helen is looking for some volunteers to help walk children to and from RGS school on Friday November 6th. We leave around 9am and return from RGS at 2:30. If you could help either for one journey or stay the whole day, please let Helen know (helenc@htpd.surrey.sch.uk).

Thank you and have a great weekend,

Team 5—Kayleigh, Scarlett, JJ and Helen

Maths

In maths, we have recapped column subtraction and looked at multiples. Next week will be explore the classification of integers, looking particularly at composite, prime and square numbers.

English

This week, we explored how *The Firework-Maker's Daughter* might end and used our descriptive writing skills to create our own imaginative endings to the story.

Science

We completed our own experiments to test the strength of different tapes. Though we had mixed results, we enjoyed using our working scientifically skills and evaluated our investigation thoroughly.

Geography and MFL

In geography, we have been looking at Guildford and comparing it with Tres Cantos in Spain. We have focused on the changing population statistics and making graphs.

Personal information	Numbers 1-10	Numbers 11-20
		
Days/months	Classroom commands	Classroom objects
		

Links for these games:

https://plndashboard.com/get.php?4L24272X3C2921_4645424252a21_426272524282a5323282926265357F2726F265650 **(Personal information)**

https://plndashboard.com/get.php?4L24272928232629_4645424252a21_42XX453232824562aC2426562728252854282U0 **(numbers 11-20)**

https://plndashboard.com/get.php?4L24282X3242627_4645424252a21_42527572X6575653245C525252323C252X82a50 **(DAYS AND MONTHS)**

https://plndashboard.com/get.php?4L24282424262X3_4645424252a21_4295653295757252626275323532425292327262F0 **(Classroom commands)**

Spelling/Phonics

Have a look at the spellings we have covered this week and ask your child about different ways they could learn their spellings.

This week, we are looking at the /e/ phoneme.

length, health, develop, sentence, measure, edge, lead (the metal), aggressive, read (past tense), everything.

Upcoming Dates

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)

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	