

How you can help at home.



Reading

As usual, we expect children to be reading at least 5 times a week. This can be either school reading books or any other reading material. Please read with your child and make a record of this in their reading records.



Writing

Your child will be expected to write in neat cursive writing at all times. As well as taking part in handwriting lessons at school, we expect children to practice whilst at home. We will be celebrating and rewarding 'perfect presentation.'



Numeracy

In year 5 we expect all children to be able to complete their times tables up to 12. Your child must also complete their MyMaths homework on a weekly basis.



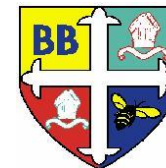
Useful Websites

* Purple Mash

www.purplemash.co.uk/sch/bishopbridgeman *

Mathletics www.mathletics.co.uk

Mymaths.co.uk



Year 5

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We Work, We Play,



We Care, We Pray





Literacy

In Literacy we are going to read 'Clockwork' by Philip Pullman. We're then going to use features of the text to write our own story from another culture with our own characters and settings. As always, presentation and spelling should be perfect and children should be aiming to achieve a handwriting pen if they haven't already done so. Remember to read with your child and sign their reading record so they can earn reading rewards. The more reading a child does, the better writer they become!



Numeracy

In numeracy this half term we will be working on column methods for addition and subtraction, multiplication and division. We shall continue to practice times tables throughout each week and the classes will compete to see which has got the best times tables knowledge. Towards the end of the half term, we will assess the children and see if they can move on to finding fractions.

Class Routines



Dinner Money

Dinner money needs to be brought in a **named envelope** on Monday mornings.



PE Kit

Year 5 will have PE on Thursday and Friday afternoons. PE kits must be in school throughout the week and taken home to be washed on Friday.



Snack

Snack costs £1, which must be brought in on a Friday ready for the next week. Snack will be a healthy mix of fruit, yoghurts and biscuits.



28 Events

9th November – U2 class assembly, remembrance day
9th November – Takeover day
17th November – Children in need
30th November – Christmas Chocolate bingo



School Trips



Science

This half term we are learning about animals including humans. We will primarily be looking at the development of humans from birth till death. We will cover puberty, so your child will be given a letter about this shortly. If you want to speak with any of the teachers about the topic, contact Mr Ryan or Mr McPhail. We will also cover the development of animals and how it compares to humans.



Topic

This half term we will be learning about the stone age. We will look closely at life in Britain during the stone age during Paleolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic periods. We will be using timelines to map out the history of the stone age and use iPads to research information about life thousands of years ago. We will also be eating food that stone age inhabitants would have eaten including nuts and dried fruit, so let us know (if you haven't already) about any dietary requirements of your child.



RE: Our RE topic this half term is religion around the world. We will be learning about different religions around the world and how they celebrate their own traditions and practises.



Computing

Our topic this half term is coding. We are learning about how to program computers and robots to follow instructions and complete basic tasks.



PE

This half term we will be learning how to play football outdoors and dancing indoors.



Homework

Children will receive both literacy and numeracy homework once a week. This will be given out on Friday and is expected back the following Wednesday. Numeracy homework is set on MyMaths and is relevant to the topic we have covered that week. Presentation of homework must be perfect as is with their schoolwork. If your child cannot complete their homework for any reason, homework club is held on a Tuesday in U2 and MyMaths club is in the ICT suite.