



Year 5 Autumn Newsletter 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

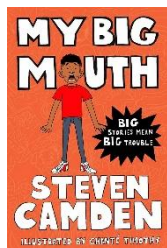
Welcome to Year 5! It has been lovely to welcome your child back into school after the summer break. The children have quickly adapted to life in year 5 and they are demonstrating a mature approach towards their learning. We look forward to supporting each and every child during this academic year and their hardworking attitude leads us to believe they will try their best in all aspects of the curriculum.

Staffing in Year 5:

Mr. Kightley (Chestnut class teacher)	Mr. Sabir-Lewis (Chestnut class T.A)	Mrs Norman (SEND Support)
Mr. Marchant (Willow class teacher)	Mr. Cooper-Tye (Willow class T.A)	

English

In **English**, we will start the term with a focus on grammar in order to ensure that the key skills and foundations for writing are secure. We will review nouns, verbs and subjects in more depth which will support us in building more complex and engaging sentence styles.



Later on in the term, we will be reading the book 'My Big Mouth', a humorous, coming of age story about a 10 year old boy called Jay. We will be focusing on characterisation and description in order to develop our writing and comprehension skills.

History and Geography

In **History** this half term, we will begin by focusing on the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings to understand why the Vikings came to Britain and the Anglo-Saxon resistance. We will look at Viking life, their religion and learn what artefacts can tell us about the past. Our **Geography** topic this term will be around mountains, their key features and how they are formed. We will locate and learn about different mountains whilst also analysing what mountain life is like in these locations.



Maths

Our **Maths** lessons will begin by consolidating learning from Year 4, as well as working on our fluency, reasoning and problem solving using $-$, $+$, $\times$, $\div$. The main focus at the start of the term will be place value, where the children will be working with numbers up to 1 million. We will also be developing our knowledge of Roman numerals, rounding numbers and counting in steps of powers of 10. We will also continue to work on fluent recall of multiplication and division facts and children should still practise these regularly at home using 'Times Tables Rockstars' and 'MyMaths' online to support this.



Science

In **Science**, our topic for the first half term will focus on Earth and space. In this unit, we will compare the size of the Earth, Sun and Moon, as well as learn about the phases of the Moon and why we have seasons. We will also examine the rotation of the Earth to explain day and night. Our second **Science** topic will focus on forces where we will be learning more about gravity, air resistance, gears, levers and pulleys. During these units, we will use our knowledge to help us ask scientific questions whilst also performing investigations.



PE

P.E is on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** for both Chestnut and Willow class.
The topics we will be looking at this term are: netball, dance, football and

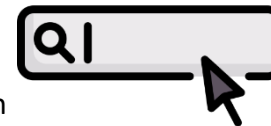


tag rugby.

Please ensure that your child comes into school wearing the correct PE kit and ear rings are not worn to school on P.E days.

Computing

In the first half term, our **Computing** topic will be themed around systems and searching, where we will look at IT systems in the world and how some can enable searching on the internet.



During the second half term, we will focus on video production where we will plan, capture, and edit video to produce a short film.

RE

Our **RE** topics for this term will be based around 'God and Faith' as well as 'Humanity'. During these units, we will be looking at how people communicate with God and how religion has shaped humanity and communities.



Relationships and Health Education & Values

Our **Relationships and Health Education** topic will be start with 'Family and Relationships', looking at the positive and negative aspects of friendships as well as stereotyping. There will also be a focus on online safety during this unit, looking at our online identify and staying safe and responsible whilst using devices.

Homework

We are asking that you read with your child at least **3 times a week** and that children complete weekly homework tasks in CGP books and online when set. Homework is set on Friday and due in the following Wednesday.



We have a range of online resources available to children to use at home to continue to develop their learning. These include: 'Reading Plus', 'MyMaths' and 'Times Table Rockstars'. Login details for these sites can be found in your child's Home Contact book, but if you require these, please contact your child's class teacher.

In our weekly class assemblies, we will be learning about and discussing a range of different topics. These will include our value of the month, British Values and Growth Mindset.

The Autumn term **Values** are:

September – Respect
October – Responsibility
November - Patience
December – Generosity



Please remember to regularly visit our class pages on the school website www.ramridge.co.uk and follow us on X (@RamridgePrimary) and Facebook.

Thank you in advance for your support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Kightley and Mr. Marchant.