Year 5 Newsletter Summer 1 2026

Welcome to the Summer Term. How quickly has time flown this year? Below, you'll find some useful information and important dates for this half-term. If there is ever anything that you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to come and talk to us!

Mr Rushton, Miss Boote, Mr Matthews and Miss Jenkinson (UKS2 Phase Leader)

Upcoming Events

Friday 17th April
PJs for Pan Can Day

W/B 20th April
New after school clubs start

Friday 24th April
SPORTSATHON

W/B 13th April
Year 5 trips to Amazon Warehouse begin (Please check your letter for the exact date)

Monday 5th May

Start of our new topics

W/B 11th May

Year 6 SATS Week– good luck Year 6!

W/B 11th May

Spelling Bee Part 5



Our **P.E lessons** will take place every **Tuesday and Friday.** On **Tuesday**, we will be coached by Staffordshire Cricket. On **Friday**, we will have PE has normal with our teachers.

A special well done to the children that have represented Year 5 in the Spelling Bee this year so far. **Make sure to keep practising your spellings at home** to improve your scores and become our next Spelling Bee representative



' The world has gone quite mad!'



Our class texts this half term is… Queen of the Falls and War Horse

In English, we will concluding our writing based on Queen of the Falls. We have lots of narrative based writing planned for this half term as we continue to hone our story writing skills. We will then move on to our final text of the year: War Horse. Through this text, we will again engage with narrative writing but also persuasive and informative writing.

In Maths, we will focus on everything to do with measures, area and perimeter and position and direction. This will be our new learning. However, we will constantly focus on our arithmetic and number skills to ensure we have the keys to unlock the wider Maths curriculum. This is so important!

Our next science topic is "How Do Species Survive?". During this topic, we will research the life stages of mammals, fish, birds and insects and explore how these may be different to each other. We'll delve into the topics of "endangered" and "extinct" animals and how our actions as humans, impact this.

First World War

A few weeks into this half term, we will begin our final unit of the year is History as we delve into the emotional and fascinating subject of the First World War. We will learn about what life was like at the outbreak of war, how the soldiers in the trenches lived and fought, how the British people on the home front were affected and ultimately how the war ended and what it then led to in the future.

Art

This half-term, we will look at the work of L.S Lowry and develop skills needed to create our own paintings of architecture. During our art lessons, we will use ink pens to practise hatching techniques to add details. We will learn how to draw using lines of perspective and watercolours to add dimension to make our buildings look 3D!

Reading is an essential part of the learning journey at The Crescent Academy. Your child will be read with at least three times a week in school, either individually or as part of a group. It is therefore essential that your child has their reading book and diary in school every day. The children use the reading diary, alongside the Hero Academy, to practise the key skills of reading and to record this. Children love to read at home, and will enjoy sharing their learning with you. At the start of each week, or fortnight, we will explain the reading skill to your child.



Your child will receive a set of spellings every Monday morning. These are to be practised in school but also at home. Our main focus for homework is that your child practises these spellings, their times tables regularly and reads at least 3 times a week at home but they **STRIVE FOR FIVE.**



Thank you for your continued support!