

Collingwood Primary School

Welcome to Year 5!

Autumn term



Dear parents and carers,

The Year 5 team would like to welcome you to a new school year. We are looking forward to working alongside you to ensure the best for all our children this year.

Meet the team!

Miss McDonald
Year 6 teacher
UKS2 Team Leader

Mrs Patterson
Year 6 teacher
SENDCO

Mr Brown
Year 5 teacher

Miss Penn
Year 5 teacher

Mrs Cunningham
Teaching Assistant
Family Support

Miss Craik
Teaching Assistant
Learning mentor

Mrs Rush
Teaching Assistant

Mr Johnston
Teaching Assistant

Miss Cooper
Teaching Assistant

PE in Year 5

5CB: Wednesday and Friday

5EP: Monday and Wednesday

On PE days, children are to **COME TO SCHOOL** wearing their PE kit: yellow t-shirt, black jogging pants/shorts & trainers. Ensure all jewellery is removed on that day. Staff are unable to remove this and it will prevent your child from doing PE.

Year 5 will go swimming in Spring term. Please ensure your child comes equipped with an **appropriate** swimming costume & towel on those days. You will be informed in December of the days. There is no time for hair washing so shampoo is not required.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child follows the school uniform requirements:

Boys: plain grey/black trousers, white polo shirt, grey pullover or school sweatshirt. Flat black trainers or school shoes.

Girls: grey skirt or grey/black trousers, white polo shirt, grey cardigan or school sweatshirt, flat black trainers or school shoes. There is also a summer dress in yellow.

Leggings, jewellery, make up and false nails are strictly prohibited.

Please ensure your child brings a **water bottle** to school each day. They will take it home daily.

Homework and Reading:

Reading is of high priority to us in KS2 and each child will be supplied with an individual reading book tailored to their level, which they will bring home and back on a **daily basis**. We request that children read a **minimum of three times a week** but have found that children who read a little each night are the ones who make the most progress.

In week 2, children will receive their weekly spellings for the whole half term. These need to be practised throughout the week, to prepare children for a low-stakes test each Friday. Weekly spelling practice and daily reading is prioritised through their home reader and online Spelling Shed. Year 5 children are also expected to access their online maths accounts for Mathletics and TTRS weekly. *Children's logins will be stuck into your child's reading diary.

*If you need support with online access, please inform us.

Maths online programmes:

<http://uk.mathletics.com/> whereby children can practise fun maths skills at a level tailored to them and

<http://ttrockstars.com> where children can hone their times tables fluency.

English online programmes:

Spelling Shed: <http://spellingshed.com> an excellent spelling resource to aid your child's learning of their weekly spellings.

Save the dates!

Tuesday 29th September: Hoops+Health Basketball

Wednesday 16th December – Pantomime

School term dates:

Holiday	Break up	Return to school
Autumn half term 2026	Thursday 22 nd October	Monday 2 nd November
Teacher Training Day Friday 23 rd October 2026 Friday 27 th November 2026		
Christmas 2026	Friday 18 th December	Monday 4 th January
Spring half term 2027	Friday 12 th February	Monday 22 nd February
Easter 2027	Thursday 25 th March	Monday 12 th April
Summer half term 2027	Thursday 27 th May	Monday 7 th June
Teacher Training Day Friday 28 th May May bank holidays: Monday 3 rd May		
Summer 2027	Tuesday 20 th July	
Teacher Training Day Wednesday 21 st July		

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