

Flamingos Newsletter

Welcome to Year 5 Term 2

We hope you had a relaxing week off and are excited to start a new term! We are going to be learning about lots of exciting things this term!



What to expect this term!

This term, our whole school theme is Power and Empire, where we will explore how leadership, industry, and exploration have shaped nations and people throughout history.

In History, we will be studying The Industrial Revolution and the Expansion of the British Empire under Queen Victoria. We will investigate how new technologies, trade, and industry changed life in Britain and across the world, and consider the social, economic, and cultural impacts of the Empire on different communities.

In English, our learning will be inspired by Clockwork by Philip Pullman. We will write instructions, focusing on clear sequencing and precise language, and create setting descriptions, using descriptive techniques to bring the story's atmospheric world to life. Through these activities, we will continue to develop our reading and writing skills, including vocabulary, sentence structure, and expressing ideas clearly.

In Maths, we will focus on multiplication, division, and fractions. We will develop strategies for solving calculations efficiently, apply these skills to problem-solving, and deepen our understanding of fractions, including identifying, comparing, and calculating with them. Throughout the term, we will continue to practise reasoning and explaining our thinking clearly.

PE and Swimming

Our PE day is Wednesday - please make sure children come to school in their PE kits and school jumper.

Our Swimming day is Tuesday - please ensure that children bring a coat and warm clothes to change into after their session. They are also welcome to bring a piece of fruit to enjoy as a snack when they return to school.



In addition to the whole-school house point system, Flamingos Class are collecting Dojos to earn rewards every two to three weeks. Children will be aware of the goals they are working towards and will have a choice of rewards and treats. Dojos are awarded at the end of each session based on three core rules.

1. Ready to learn with equipment ready.
2. Staying in your seat.
3. Respect! - To adults, other children and school equipment.

Pupils know how many points they need to achieve by the set deadline, and you will be informed of any rewards earned outside of school.

Dates for the diary:



Thursday 30th October -

Halloween Disco

Friday 7th November -

Chatham Dockyards