

Flamingos Newsletter

Welcome to Year 5 Term 3

We hope you had a lovely Christmas break and are looking forward to starting Term 3. We have lots of exciting things to learn this term!



What to expect this term!

This term, our whole school theme is Maps. We will explore how maps represent the world, tell stories about places and people, and have been used throughout history for navigation, discovery, and understanding our planet.

In English, our learning will be inspired by *Journey to the River Sea* by Eva Ibbotson. We will be creating detailed and imaginative diary entries inspired by the book's characters, events, and themes.

This term in Maths, we will be learning about multiplication, division, fractions, decimals and percentages. We will practise multiplying and dividing numbers and using these skills to solve problems.

In PE this term we will be doing gymnastics. Barefoot is considered best practice for gymnastics and provides the most natural and effective connection to the ground and equipment, allowing the children to perform with maximum control, precision, and safety. However, for some children being barefoot can be a barrier to their learning. If this is the case for your child please ensure they bring grip socks (flip out, ninja warrior) with them to wear on their PE day. Thank you.

PE and Swimming

Our PE day is Wednesday. Please ensure children come to school wearing their PE kits along with their school jumper.

Our swimming day is Tuesday. Please make sure 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:



Tuesday 6th January 2026 – Swimming starts Term 3

Friday 6th February 2026 – Dojo Reward