



## Welcome to Year 5

**Ocean Class: Mrs Langley, Mrs Thompson & Miss McLagan**

**Swallow Class: Miss Gray & Mrs Dale**

### Topics this year

Autumn Term: Journeys through Egypt and into Space

Spring Term: Anglo Saxons/Vikings

Summer Term: North America

For further information on our curriculum, please visit the website.

### Timetables:

You will find attached to this overview a copy of the timetables for each class in Year 5. This timetable reflects the coverage of the curriculum each week and is flexible meaning some subjects may be taught at different times during the week. PE sessions will take place on the same day and we ask that the children come into school wearing their PE kit for that day's PE session. PE kit should be a white t-shirt, blue shorts and trainers. Please remember to send the children into school wearing tracksuit bottoms and jumpers for the colder months.

### Trips and Visitors

Term	Trip/ Visitor
Autumn	Juniper Hall
Spring	Viking Day (visitor)
Summer	TBC

### Homework

Login details for TT Rockstars, RM Easimaths, Maths Shed and Spelling Shed can be found on the inside cover of your child's Reading Record.

Spelling Approx Time: 15 minutes a night	Each half term, the spellings will be put into your child's reading diary. Spelling Shed will be set up online to allow them to practise these words - <a href="https://play.edshed.com/login">https://play.edshed.com/login</a> . The children can practise these words without using spelling shed if they prefer.	The children will be tested on the words every fortnight.
Reading Approx Time: 30 minutes every day	The children are expected to read every night and record this in their reading diary. They will be checked weekly.	We will collect the reading diaries in on a Monday. The children will be expected to read at least 30 minutes every day.
Maths Approx Time: 15 minutes every night	Weekly practice of Times Tables on Times Tables Rockstars - <a href="https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student">https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student</a> The children also have access to Maths Shed and RM Easimaths to allow them to practice their skills - <a href="https://play.edshed.com/login">https://play.edshed.com/login</a> . They can access maths problems to boost their mental recall. This will be added challenge for children who have demonstrated secure knowledge of times tables.	We will be monitoring their progress online and reward during the week.
Creative	Each half term, we will set a creative homework. We will send out details of the homework at the beginning of each half term.	The children will be given the opportunity to present this work in class to the rest of the children and it will be displayed in school.



### **Attendance**

As you will appreciate, the children have lost a substantial amount of schooling as a result of the partial school closures. We will be taking as many opportunities as possible to support narrowing gaps in the children's learning. Therefore, it is incredibly important that your child attends school every day, with the exception of ill health. Please try to arrange appointments (medical or otherwise) outside of school time so that your child can access as much learning as possible. Whilst we appreciate that it is very difficult to not have any illness, attendance is very closely monitored by the Head Teacher and the Local Authority as statutory reporting takes place. Please do not take holidays during term-time.

### **Key Days**

Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please remember to send tracksuit bottoms and jumpers in to school for the colder months. Plimsolls are not needed, however your child can wear good fitting, secure trainers. If your child is unable to tie shoelaces, please provide Velcro fastened trainers for PE. Please ensure that all PE items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Coach Attenborough will be teaching Year 5 on Wednesday.

### **Collection**

If collection arrangements alter during the school day, **please inform the office before 2.30pm** so they will have enough time to inform the class teachers.

### **Contacting us**

Under normal circumstances, we are happy speak to parents at the end of the day. However, in light of social distancing and COVID-19 health precautions, we would ask that you please phone or e-mail the office ([info@cranmere.sch.uk](mailto:info@cranmere.sch.uk)) so the class teacher can act accordingly. We will contact you through the Office or via telephone regarding more personal questions as soon as possible. The Office will respond as quickly as possible to general questions as they can.

### **Medical Information**

If any changes arise (e.g. glasses, hearing, allergies,) please email the office at [info@cranmere.sch.uk](mailto:info@cranmere.sch.uk) They will inform the class teachers. Please ensure that your child's inhaler is at school if they require one and is in date. If the inhaler is used by the children during the school day, this will be recorded and your child's class teacher will inform you at the end of the day.

### **Curriculum Information**

**Spelling lists:** You will find the Year 3-6 Statutory spelling list in the new reading diary.

**Overviews and Curriculum Maps:** These can all be found on our School Website.

**Aprons:** Please can you provide your child with an art apron/old shirt that can be kept in school for Art lessons. Please ensure this is labelled with your child's name.

**Labelling:** Please ensure anything that belongs to your child is clearly labelled!

**Bags:** We do not have the capacity to store larger bags or rucksacks so please ensure your child has a Cranmere book-bag or rucksack. These are the correct size for what your child will need.

**All equipment is provided for your child's learning. Please do not provide them with pencil cases, as they will not need them.**

**For key dates and whole school events, please see the Weekly Headteacher's Newsletter and our website (<https://www.cranmereprimary.org.uk/>) which contains the school calendar. Please check these before calling the Office.**

### **Mental Health and Wellbeing.**

In school we have a strong focus on mental health and wellbeing and have Healthy Minds boxes in each class for children to share their worries. If you feel your child needs some additional support, please speak to your child's teachers in the first instance. Further support can be offered in school which includes Teacher and Headteacher 1:1 Mentoring; Chats with our Home-School Link Worker Mrs Doe; Nurture groups and sessions with our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant, Miss McLagan.

We take all allegations of bullying seriously so in order to help us have a proactive approach and provide the support needed, please report any concerns to your Child's class teacher immediately.

### **Volunteers**

We welcome volunteers in school, however, due to COVID-19 health precautions we will not be asking for volunteers initially to come and support. As soon as we can a message will be sent home asking for volunteers. If you would like to help by hearing readers, or come in to share your expertise, please speak to the Office who can organise your DBS check.

### **Water Bottles, Milk and Fruit**

Please ensure your children come into school with a water bottle every day – a 1 litre bottle would be ideal. At Key Stage 2, the children are no longer eligible for the free fruit scheme, as they were at Key Stage 1. If you would like to continue providing your children with a healthy snack for break time, please send it in a named box. We would ask that the snacks are kept to fresh fruit or vegetables as part of our healthy schools initiative – no fruit winders please. At Key Stage 2, milk is no longer provided for all of the children, although it can be ordered via the website [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com). Please check with your children if they would like to continue having milk as there are instances where some children who have been signed up for milk, no longer want it at school and it can go to waste.

### **Birthday Celebrations**

Please do not send in sweets and cakes for Birthday celebrations as this can cause some children with specific dietary needs and allergies to feel excluded. We are also committed to reducing sugar intake and promoting healthy eating through our healthy schools initiative. If you wish to celebrate your child's birthday by donating a book to their class, your child can share their book at story time on their birthday and then keep it in the class book box. A special book plate with their name will be stuck on the inside cover to mark the occasion.