

PE

PE lessons this half term will focus non-contact outdoor sports.

Class PE days:
Hawks: Wednesday
Owls: Wednesday

Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit to school on Wednesdays

Rights Respecting Schools

We are a rights respecting school which means we place the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child at the heart of our ethos and curriculum. This half term we are focusing on:

Article 2 The convention applies to every child without discrimination.

Article 12 Every child has the right to be heard.

Reading Logs and Homework

Homework is handed out each week on a **Friday** and must be returned to school by **Tuesday**. Children will be given spelling, maths and a piece of literacy homework. Please remember to read daily with your child at home and encourage your child to summarise what they have read in their learning log (learning logs must be brought to school everyday). Books will be changed every week; if your child needs to change their book more frequently remind them to speak to their class teacher.

Attendance and Punctuality

This year the children in Year 5 are aiming for 100% attendance. School is open to children from 8:45am. The children can come into class and complete an activity, ensuring that they are on time and ready for the start of lessons at 9am.

Key Dates

Normally you would see trip dates here. During this term, there will be no trips until we feel completely confident the children will be safe in public spaces during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Gainsborough Primary School Year 5 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of children in
Year 5,

Welcome back to Gainsborough!
We hope you had a wonderful summer holiday.

Year 5 have had a fantastic start to this new school year and we are really looking forward to all our new learning opportunities.

Adults Working in Year 5

Hawks - Miss Hay, Mr Roper
Owls - Miss Chowdhury, Miss Robb
Headteacher - Miss Clark

Our Campaign

How can we reduce our sugar intake?

Year Five are going to be finding out about healthy eating.

They will find out about the negative effects of eating too much sugar and how people can make healthier food choices.

You can find out about healthy eating at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life>



Gainsborough Keeps

Excellence in learning. Always striving.

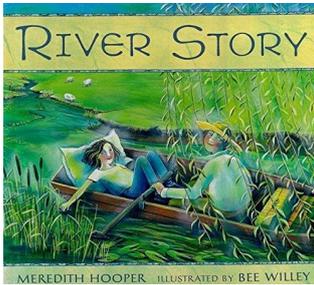


This half term, the children will have a difference focus each week and will include how to 'Keep Safe' in school while we protect ourselves from Coronavirus.

Writing

Our writing this half term will be linked to our topic work on **Rivers**.

We will be reading the story 'River Story' and writing our own setting descriptions, poetry and information texts based on the book.



Reading

- This half term we will be enjoying the story 'Journey to the River Sea' by Iva Ibbotson as our class reader.
- We will be practising our summarising skills by regularly completing summaries in our learning logs.
- To support your child at home please read with them everyday.
- The children will continue take **Accelerated Reading** quizzes in school when they have finished a book to test their understanding of what they have read.
- Children can also access **Bug Club** at home.
- Reading lessons will continue to focus on answering a range of question types, based on the book that they are reading.

Science

The focus of our Science lessons this half term will be:

Animals Including Humans

The children will discuss why living things need to reproduce and comparing gestation periods between different animals. They will look at the human life cycle and develop their understand for how humans change over time.



Maths

This year we will continue to follow the Primary Advantage Maths scheme. This half term we will be covering:

Place Value: We will read, write, order and compare numbers up to 1,000,000 (knowing value of each digit).

Addition and subtraction: We will add and subtract whole and decimal numbers with more than four digits using the column method.

Statistics: We will interpret and draw our own graphs as well as answer questions based on data.

Please support your child's learning at home by continuing to practice their times tables using the website **Times Table Rockstars**:

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

Topic

This half term we will be basing our learning around:

Investigating Rivers

We will be exploring rivers and how water has been used over the years. We will be studying and explaining how our local river systems are used.

Art, Computing and Music

Art: The children will create their own textile banners to encourage people to take action on climate change.

Computing: We will be working with the Microsoft tools like PowerPoint to create presentations on our learning and sharing information.

Music: The children will be learning to play a variety of percussion instruments.