

Year 5



Meet The Teacher

2026-27

Meet The Team

Class: **Fir**

Teacher: **Miss Elsayy**

Support Staff: Miss Dias & Mr Hippolyte

Class: **Hawthorn**

Teacher: **Mrs Istratoaie**

Support Staff: Mrs Dar

Our Curriculum

Year 5 Curriculum Map

Year 5	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	George's Secret Key to the Universe <i>Non-chronological report – fact file</i> <i>Setting description</i> <i>Space Poetry (AB,AB)</i>	Viking Boy <i>Recount</i> <i>Monologue – writing in role</i> <i>Narrative – 3rd person</i>	The Boy Who Sat at the Back of the Class <i>Guide to schooling in the UK</i> <i>Diary – 1st person</i> <i>Persuasive writing</i> <i>Instruction Poetry Benjamin Zephaniah – The British</i>	Kensuke's Kingdom <i>Ship's logs</i> <i>Narrative – shipwreck story</i> <i>Instruction writing</i>	Oranges in No Man's Land <i>Diary</i> <i>Informal letter</i> <i>Debate</i>	Friend or Foe The Highwayman <i>Newspaper report</i> <i>Balanced argument</i> <i>Poetry to prose (narrative)</i>
Maths	Place Value Addition and subtraction Multiplication and division Fractions		Multiplication and division Fractions Decimals and percentages Perimeter and area Statistics		Shape Position and direction Decimals Negative numbers Converting units Volume	
Science	Earth and Space	Forces	Materials: Properties and Changes (an in-depth Study)		Life Cycles	Growing Older
Computing	Coding	Word Processing (Google Docs)	Quizzing	Databases	Game Creator	<u>Microbits</u>
History	Anglo Saxons & Scots	Vikings			Baghdad and the Middle East	
Geography			Asia: Mountains, Volcanoes and Earthquakes			Biomes and Vegetation

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RE	How far would a Sikh go for their religion? 9-12, Sikh , Enquiry 1	Is the Christmas story true? 9-10, Christianity , Autumn 2	How are sacred teachings and stories interpreted by Sikhs today? 9-12, Sikh , Enquiry 2	Does belief in the Trinity help Christians make better sense of God as a whole? 9-10, Christianity , Optional	What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God? 9-10, Christianity , Summer 2	Is the Christmas story true? 9-10, Christianity , Autumn 2
Art & Design	Typography & Maps	Making Monotypes	Set Design	Mixed media - Land and Cityscapes	Architecture - Dream Big or Small	Fashion Design
PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Differences	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me
Spanish	The Date Do you have a pet?		My Home The Olympics		Clothes	
Music	Recorder Introduction / Singing/Body Percussion		Recorders/Ukulele Introduction		African Drumming	
PE Indoor / Outdoor	Football & Invasion Games	Basketball & Tag Rugby	Dodgeball & Hockey	Tennis & Handball	Cricket & Volleyball	Badminton & Athletics

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Reading

- Expectation is that all children must read every day.
- Banded books are sent home. Encourage your child to read to you everyday and ask them questions to enhance their comprehending skill.
- In school, children change their banded books and also have the opportunity to take a library book home.

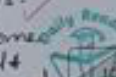
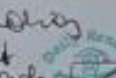




September October November December January February March April May June July

Reading Record and Weekly Diary

Reading Record

Date, book and the page you read to	Comments Give a score out of 10 to show how much you enjoyed your reading
Dead Adventuras P.14-21 7-09-2026	Messiah read well. He tried to sound words that are unfamiliar. Have to be reminded to slow down. 
11 P24-32 8-09-2-26	Messiah read well. He stopped at full stops. He got stuck on some unfamiliar words but tried to sound out words. 
Future Transport IN SPACE Pages 1-5 08-09-2026	Messiah read well. He enjoyed reading and talking about events that he read. 
	The best reading record so far - thank you. 
VIMY Does Lightening Flash P.1-5 10-09-2026	Messiah read well. He was able to recap and explained what he read. 

Tricky words, or new words I have learned

Tordesillas	exploration	Astronauts	nys
Indigenous	Raleigh	Guinea	addled
island	equator	Gagarin	astounding

PE Days

- **Outdoor PE** is on Tuesday for both classes.
- **Indoor PE** is on Friday for both classes. Children should come in wearing their PE kit on those days.
- Children should be wearing suitable footwear for PE: **black** trainers or plimsolls
- It is important that PE clothing is regularly washed
- All items of the kit must be clearly labelled
- Earrings should not be worn on PE days and no jewellery on any day
- Please refer to the school uniform policy details on the school website in the 'Parents' section

Home Learning

Every week, homework will be sent home for both classes. They are expected to do them for the upcoming Friday.

The homework consists:

- Reading (*please listen to your child read everyday for at least 15 minutes. Make sure to add a comment and sign the reading records.*)
- Spelling - Tested every week (can be found on Google Classroom and it is stuck in pupils' reading records)
- Collins Reading & Mathematics Homework books (on order)
- TimeTable Rockstars (logins are stuck in reading records)
- TimeTable sheets / extra homework when necessary
- Handwriting practise (handwriting will be a big focus this year)

Enrichment

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Cost
Year 5	<i>Social</i> Be Safe	<i>Cultural</i> Be Respectful	<i>Cultural</i> Be Respectful	<i>Spiritual</i> Be Resilient	<i>Careers</i> Be Ready	<i>Social</i> Be Safe	
	Bikeability Science	Viking Day <i>History -</i>	RBO The Big Ballet	Old Redding <i>Art - City Landscapes</i>	2 Day Activity Camp 8th / 9th June	Orienteering In school	
	Museum <i>Science - Space / Forces</i>	<i>Vikings</i>	<i>The Wind in the Willows</i> HEHS Production Annie	RBO Discover Design <i>Design Technology</i>	<i>Citizenship / Team Building</i>		£48.50
	TFL <i>£7.50</i>	In school <i>£1 contribution</i>	In school Free Local Walking Free	Local Walking Free In school Free	Wise Up Workshop (on site) <i>£40</i>	In school Free	

Key Dates

Class Assemblies: **Hawthorn 13.11.26**, **Fir 27.11.26**

Maths Parent Workshop: **19.11.2026** 9:00-9:30 in Aspen (on this floor)

Autumn 1 Trip: **Science Museum - 22.10.2026**

Autumn 2 Experience: **Viking Day** (date tbc)

The Duke of Cedars

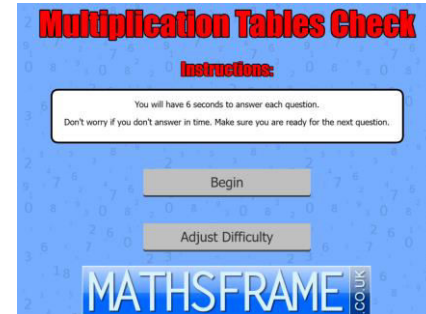
Pupils will complete a number of activities within the following four categories; Physical, Skills, Volunteering and Expedition. Over the course of our pupils' school experience, they will complete and achieve four awards, Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. Each award will be completed over a 2-year period, as set out below. Children's achievements are recognised at the end of each academic year with a certificate. Children will be awarded a badge representing the award they have completed at the end of the 2 years.

Bronze	Nursery and Reception	End of EYFS
Silver	Year 1 and Year 2	End of KS1
Gold	Year 3 and Year 4	End of LKS2
Platinum	Year 5 and Year 6	End of KS2

Duke of Cedars Platinum Awards						
Year 5 and 6						
Physical		Skills		Volunteering		Expedition
Cycling proficiency		Public speaking and debating		Reading Buddy Reception and Year 1		Exploring teamwork – Eco Warriors / JRSO / Head Boy / Girl / School Council
Cross Country		Film and Video Making		Online Safety – Communicating key messages to the community – create a blog		STEM - Planning an Arctic Expedition
Orienteering		Young entrepreneurship		Collecting for the Food Bank		Blindfolded Communication – Team building and communication skills - Learning through Landscapes Project
Cricket * Supplementary activity						

Times Table RockStars & Maths Frame Times table challenge

- All children should have a Times Tables Rock Stars username and password (same as last year). Children should regularly login and complete the challenges. There is also **MTC** on Google Classroom, which is particularly useful as it generates random times tables questions
- All children can access purple mash at home through **Igfl** – purple mash offers practise multiplication tests and links to different subjects: *the link is on Google Classroom*



Expectations

- ***Be Ready***
- ***Be Respectful***
- ***Be Safe***
- ***Be Responsible***
- ***Be Courageous***
- ***Be Resilient***



Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school

100%

Perfection

Equates to 2 days off
school each year

99%

Excellent

Equates to 5 days off
school each year

97%

Good

Equates to 10 days off
school each year

95%

Slight Concern

Equates to 20 days off
school each year

90%

Concerned

Equates to 30 days off
school each year

85%

Very Concerned

Attendance

96% is a satisfactory level of attendance.

Attendance below this level will be recorded as unsatisfactory.

Holidays taken during term time will not be authorised.

Ensure children arrive at school on time (8:40 am) to avoid lost learning time.

Reporting an Absence

Please phone the school in the morning to let us know that your child will be absent.

If your child becomes ill at school we will phone you to ask you to arrange for your child to be collected.

It is important that we have your current phone number on record.

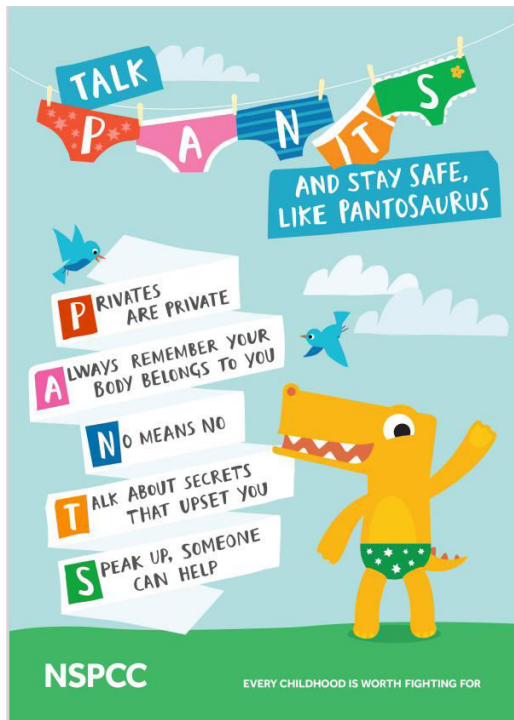
Please remember to let us know if there are any changes.

Internet Safety at Home

- Set controls on your search engine – Google how to set parental controls on e.g. iPhone 14 and follow the instructions.
- [Parentzone](#) and [ThinkUKnow](#) are really useful sources of advice for internet safety. Just google the words and you will find the sites straight away.
- Remind children **NOT** to give personal information to anyone they are chatting to online when playing games.
- Remind children **NEVER** to agree to meet anyone they have been talking to online.



Every year, pupils are reminded about the PANTS rule at Cedars Manor School. Please discuss with your child.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-IL07JOGU5o>

Since Covid, there has been an alarming increase in primary pupils being exploited online. Please discuss with your child the importance of not getting changed while holding a device.



<https://undressed.lgfl.net/>

Please click on the links and discuss with all children

Please discuss with your child the age restrictions for social media apps. If you are allowing your child to use one of these apps, please remind them to keep their accounts **PRIVATE**, **NEVER** to share pictures or videos of anyone without permission and to **THINK** before posting.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

Twitter
Tik Tok
Facebook
Instagram
Pinterest
Google+
Tumblr
Reddit
Snapchat
Secret

LinkedIn

WhatsApp

Vine

Path

YouTube

Keek
Foursquare
WeChat
Kik
Flickr

You now need to be **16** to use WhatsApp. Misuse of WhatsApp groups can lead to cyberbullying and problems at school. If you give permission for your child to have and use this app, please have a conversation with your child on how to use it responsibly.

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(13 with parents' permission)

THINK

BEFORE YOU POST!



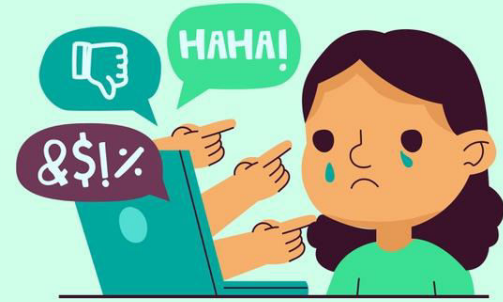
T ~ IS IT TRUE?

H ~ IS IT HELPFUL?

I ~ IS IT INSPIRING?

N ~ IS IT NECESSARY?

K ~ IS IT KIND?



Don't
be mean
behind
the
screen.



YouTube and TikTok are particularly popular with primary aged children; however, there are things to think about:

- Children can be exposed to adult content or unsuitable videos if they click on related videos
- Uploading videos of themselves (although innocently done) could make them vulnerable to online *trolling* or *predators*

It is advisable that you set YouTube search to '**safe mode**'. You can find out how in the [YouTube safety centre](#)

- *Limit the time online*
- *Manage their Use and Access*
- *Turn the Wifi off at bedtime*



Have a conversation with your child!

Children may be very worried that your response to a problem will be to take away their internet access. Whilst this may be an appropriate response in some cases, the threat may be a barrier for a child who needs help. Be aware of this when talking to them about their internet use, and reassure them that they can talk to you or a trusted adult whenever there is a problem.