

5S Classroom News

Avondale
Primary School



Autumn 1

Welcome back to a new school year. We hope you have all had a lovely summer holiday. We are all excited for the year ahead and can't wait to get started in 5S. The children have made a fantastic start, they are all full of life and keen to learn – it is going to be an amazing year! I am Mr. Sharples and am the 5S class teacher. I am a parent myself to a 6 year old named Florence and an 18 month old boy, Freddie. I enjoy being active by going for long walks with my dog Alfie. If you ever have any queries or questions or simply want a quick chat, you can always find me on the yard at the end of the day. Please don't hesitate to come and say 'hi'.

Dates for your Diary

- 17th September – Flu vaccinations
- 24th September – Rock Kidz
- 2nd October – Return Cauliflower cards
- 8th October – School Photos
- 14th October – Harvest assembly
- 22nd October – Parents Evening
- 23rd October – School closes for half term break (re-opens Monday 2nd November)



Friendly Reminders

- PE days are every Thursday and Friday.
Please ensure that your child arrives at school on these days in their PE kit.
- Please remember to sign your child's reading record when they have read. They can change their book as soon as they have completed it. Children are required to read 5 times per week as part of their homework. We are also going to provide daily opportunities for the children to read in class as well as having a daily opportunity to listen to the class novel. With this in mind, we are asking that all children bring their reading book in on a daily basis.
- Spellings are set each Friday and the children will be tested the following Friday.

What we are studying

Maths

In our Maths lessons this half term, we will be working on place value. Within this unit, we will be reading and writing numbers up to one million. In addition to this, we will be adding and subtracting numbers up to 1 million. Finally, we will continue consolidating knowledge on times tables for rapid recall as they form an integral part of the Year 5 Maths curriculum. Any extra help at home with this will be greatly appreciated.

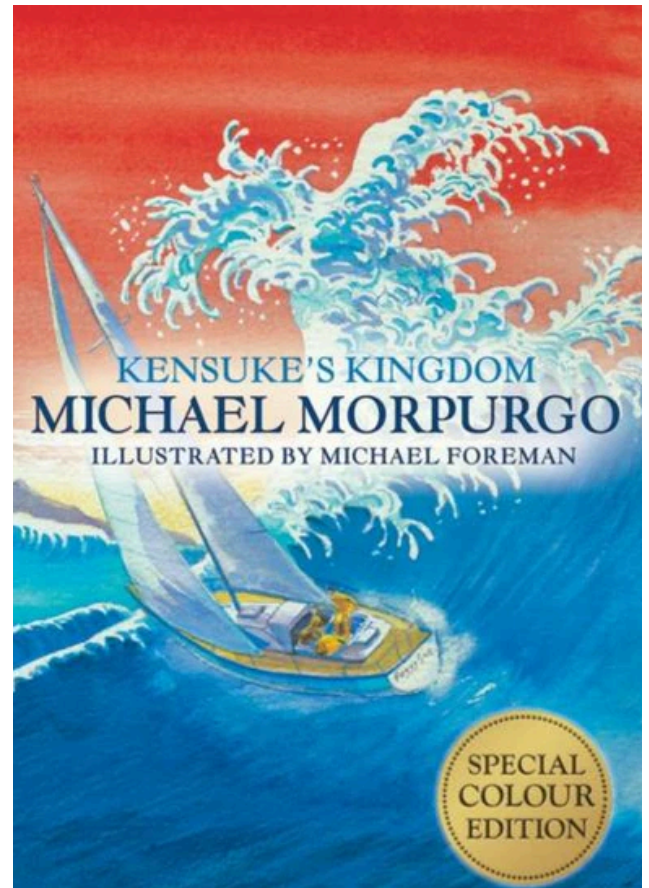
English

In our English lessons we will be writing tragedies whilst developing our descriptive writing skills. Within this piece of writing, we will revise and consolidate grammar objectives from previous years in addition to some of the new Year 5 objectives.

Our class novel this half term will be 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Morpurgo. This is an exciting story which closely links to our Topic theme.

Geography

This half term, we are very excited to really get stuck into our new theme 'Natural Disasters'. Within this unit, we will research earthquake and volcano case studies whilst understanding what actually causes them.



Art

Art this half term links directly to our class novel. We are going to look at the work of the Japanese artist, Hokusai and re-create one of his famous paintings, The Great Wave.

The other adults working within Year 5 this year are:

**Mrs Morgan (class teacher of 5M),
Mrs Ansbro (teaching assistant) and
Mrs Berresford (SSA).**

Click the link for the objectives for year 5 –

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