

Class Newsletter

Year 5

Spring 1st half term



In this newsletter you will find information about the interesting topics and exciting activities your child will be studying or taking part in this half term in Year 5. Please encourage your child to talk to you about what they are learning in school, it will really help them to learn!

Our year 5 staff are Mr Taylor and Miss Lehner.

We are working very hard to ensure that your child receives the very best education and support they can at Gilnow Primary School.

This term we will be learning about:

- **English** – Balanced Arguments and Letters
- **Science** – Properties and Changes of Materials
 - **Computing** – Computer Science
 - **Art/DT** – Mixed Media
- **PSHE** – Protecting the Environment and Compassion Towards Others
 - **RE** – Buddhism
- **French** – Quelle Heure Est-Il? (What Time is It?)

English

In English, we will be looking at the features of balanced arguments and letters. We will write about a range of different topics and we will have a go at writing in a variety of different styles.

Reading

This half term, we will continue to send out reading books. We would encourage you to read with your child as often as possible as supporting your child's reading is one of the most valuable things you can do to help with their education. Please read at home with your child a minimum of three times each week for ten minutes each time.

We will also continue to work on developing reading skills through planned phonics, guided reading and comprehension work.

Maths

In Maths we will be working on:

- Negative Numbers
- Perimeter and Area
- Fractions

Physical development

PE is on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. The children will be developing their skills by completing a range of different sports and games.

Please make sure that your child brings in their PE kit every week.

Science

In Science this half term we will be learning about the properties of materials. We will think about what different animals need to live, and consider the different places that some of them do.

RE

In RE this half term, we will be learning about Buddhism and what Buddhists believe. We will learn all about key Buddhist beliefs and we will consider what it means to be a Buddhist in Britain today.

Homework

Your child will be sent home with some homework challenges to do over this half term. Please encourage your child to complete these to support their learning in class.

Useful Websites

Our school website is <http://www.gilnow.bolton.sch.uk/Pages/default.aspx>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/digger/7_9entry/7_9.shtml

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/problem-solving>

REMINDERS

Homework Challenge to be returned by Friday 9th February

Please make sure your child brings in their PE kit every week and their water bottle every day!