

Year 5 Parent News - Spring



Welcome back! It's so wonderful to have the children back with us, and immediately showing commitment to our PUPAC values. So far they have shown an excellent attitude towards behaviour and their learning. Please find below what we are learning about this term. If you have any questions or would like further clarification, please let us know either by speaking to us at the beginning or end of the school day or leave a message with the office. *Mr McNally and Miss Clarke.*

Important dates each week

PE - Thursday afternoon

**Reading Record check—
daily**

**Homework is handed out
on Monday and due on
Friday**

Our learning this term

English

As a class, our text we will be reading this half term will be 'Welcome to Nowhere' by Elizabeth Laird. This book is set in Syria (Middle East) and focuses on a young families life during the civil war.

In English, we will be identifying and writing relative clauses as parenthesis. Secondly, we will learn how to substitute commas for brackets and dashes. The pupils will identify and write appositives within sentences, and finally, they will learn how to write relative clauses and appositives within compound and complex sentences. Once all these skills have been taught, they will draft a non-chronological report.

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing this half term on multiplication and division. The children will learn how to use the written formal method for multiplying and dividing. They will also learn and develop mental strategies to help them calculate more complex multiplication calculations. They will continue to rehearse and perfect their times table knowledge through regular practice, and apply this knowledge to a range of worded problems.

Foundation

In Geography, we will be covering Black History and looking at the Nelson Mandela and Apartheid. This will include research the Nelson Mandela's life and how he helped towards abolishing segregation and discrimination in South Africa. The RE topic is Hinduism, where children will be learning about Kailash Satyarthi who campaigned against child labour in India. We will be learning about Forces such as gravity, water resistance and air resistance as well as conducting investigations in Science.

Attendance

Our school day starts at 8:45 and finishes at 3:30. We begin our first lesson at 9:00am.

Please help us to start promptly by dropping your child off on time.

At Benedict Academy, we work **hard**, we are **kind** and we are **courteous**. We do this so that we can **be successful**.



