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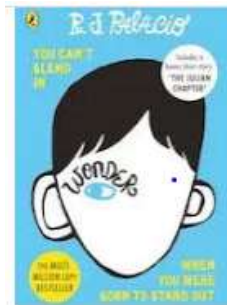
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Year 5 Summer 2

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to year 5! We hope you all had a lovely half term break and that your children enjoyed our topic about Tudors. This half term, we will be learning about people who have dared to be different. In English, we will be reading 'Wonder' by R.J Palacio, a book about a boy who looks very different, and exploring how this can affect and challenge people's points of view. As part of our DT, we will be making Rebel Dolls.



English

We are beginning this half term looking at Auggie's journey of starting a new school and being accepted for who he is despite his facial differences. We will be writing a first-person narrative focusing on peoples' impressions and characters' emotions.

Maths

Our first unit will focus on addition and subtraction followed by fractions and geometry. You can continue to support your child at home with Maths by ensuring that they know and regularly practice their times tables using TT Rockstars. Every child has access and their own login to this.

Science

We will be looking at making new substances. We will be looking at what happens when mixed substances react to make a new substance and most notably how their properties change. The Knowledge Organiser for this unit of science is on our website for you to view. We will be working through the subjects on this organiser and have provided it for you so that you also have an understanding of the coverage.



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History

We will be looking at how records and reports from the past help us to understand how people used to live. We will make inferences about people from the past and use the school log to find out how school life has changed at St John's.

DT

This half term for DT, we will be using our sewing skills to make a 'Rebel Teddy'. We will be designing our own stuffed toy and practicing blanket stitch to join two pieces of material together when assembling our teddies.

RE/Global Neighbours

In religious studies, we will be looking at the concept of God and how Christian's worship God in church.

Computing

We will be looking at digital literacy and improving our keyboard skills.

PDL/No Outsiders/Evolve

In PDL, we will be looking at 'Changing Me'. We will be looking at how our bodies are changing and looking at self-image and how body image fits into that. Our No Outsiders book is 'Mixed' which focuses on race and how everyone should be treated the same.

Music

For music, we are using the Rock Steady, Fun Time Friday curriculum.

PE

This half term, our PE days will be on Wednesday and Thursday (when we hope to go over to the field and practice athletics ready for sports day). Children will need to come dressed for PE on these days and wear appropriate clothing for the warmer weather. Can we ask that children wear proper trainers (not plimsolls) and they wear blue or black tracksuits for when they are outside. Please remember that children should have their hair tied back and should not be wearing jewellery. Please provide earring tape if your child cannot take out their stud earrings.

Uniform

We do ask that all the children come to school looking smart in their uniform. Please be reminded that shoes should be plain black and without colour. Please make sure everything is NAMED. Jewellery should not be worn to school (only stud earrings are allowed). As the weather gets warmer, please can you make sure your child has a hat and sun cream in school.



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Water bottles

Can you please provide a NAMED water bottle for your child to bring into the classroom daily. Remember we ask these are filled with only water or sugar free squash. The bottles will be taken home after each day to be cleaned and refilled for the following day.

Reading at home

AS the children come to the end of year 5 we really encourage the children to be independent with their reading by changing their books themselves and reading at home as often as possible.

Communication

Each morning the class teacher will be at the gates. If you need to pass on any information, please do so then. However, due to staggered starting and finishing times throughout the school, we ask if you need to discuss anything with the teacher to make an appointment when convenient. We do understand that some parents work, and are not around at the start or end of the day, so please feel free to write a message for your child to hand to their teacher or call the office and the class teacher will give you a call. You can also email us at year5@st-johns-gosport.hants.sch.uk. We check this email as least twice a week.

Homework

There is a homework project this half term. Details of this can be found at the bottom of this letter.

Thank you for your support

Mrs James, Mrs Goulding



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Home learning project Year 5

Research information about your family

Create a family tree or
find out about an older relative and what they used to do. Can they remember what
Gosport used to be like? What are the changes in Gosport?

Any homework needs to be brought in by Friday 11th July 2025.



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