

Welcome to Year 5 2026 -2027



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Timings for the school day, September 2026

**Doors open 8.30am for 8.40am
start**

Break 10.45-11.00am

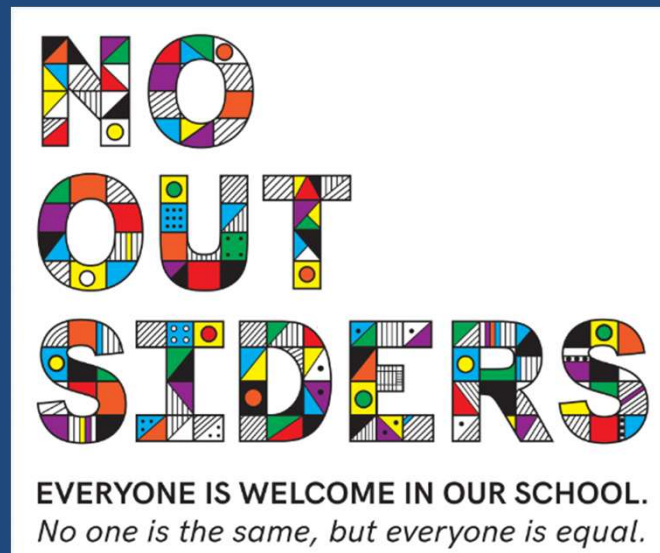
Lunch 12.15-1.00pm

End of day 3.05pm

Curriculum Learning and aims for the year

- ❖ In Year 5, we believe learning should be varied, fun and engaging. We will ensure that your children have the opportunity to explore new learning through a whole variety of topics.
- ❖ Topics will include: Ancient Civilisations, Earth and Space, Extreme Environments, The Tudors, Africa and Saving the Planet.

At St John's we teach British values and equality through our personal development lessons. (PDL) This covers PHSE and RSE, Safeguarding and diversity and inclusion



Teaching about equality

Is teaching about:

- Difference
- Acceptance
- Tolerance
- Diversity
- How to challenge discrimination

Teaching about equality helps our children to prepare for the next stages in their lives.

Two of the ways we teach about equality is through the use of books and also a half-termly collective worship where we focus on something from the media that highlights inequality and 'No Outsiders'.

Behaviour



- ❖ We have a **positive** approach to behaviour and high expectations of it.
- ❖ **The learning recognition board** lets children achieve a target from one of our six strands. This allows the children to see they are making the right choices in their learning.
- ❖ **Pause** – children are put on pause if they make the wrong choice.
- ❖ **Non-negotiables** – are on display in all classes. These are the expectations for all children.
- ❖ Sometimes a child will need to go to another class to complete work and do a **Reflection** with an adult during lunch or break times, or at the end of the day, if they are unable to turn their behaviour around. This is an opportunity to discuss their behaviour in a calm way.

Reading



- ❖ We will continue to follow our reading challenge expectations; children will earn ticks over the year by reading at home.
- ❖ We want to encourage a positive reading attitude so we will discuss the books children are reading with them and aim to listen to children reading during the week in school too.
- ❖ Our library day is on Monday and this will be an opportunity to change books. Please encourage your child to look after their library books and keep them in school if needed.

Homework

Children can also access the following if they have a suitable device.

- BBC Bitesize
- Grammarsaurus (spellings)
- TT Rockstars (times table practise)
- Half termly project linked with topic – the first one is about Mayan Civilisation. The information is on the newsletter.
- All curriculum information and letters can be found on the school website.
<https://www.st-johns-gosport.hants.sch.uk/>



Uniform and PE Kit

- ❖ The children have come looking very smart in their uniforms. Please remember they are required to wear plain black shoes.
- ❖ PE days are on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**
Children come into school in full PE kit on these days.
- ❖ Children are allowed to wear jogging bottoms and a school jumper when the weather becomes colder.

Trips

Autumn Term

Monday, 16th – Friday 20th November 2026 –
Wick Court Residential

(Children remaining will take part in school
based activities)

Spring Term 2027

Mary Rose Museum (Tudor link) Cost will be
approx £15

Any questions?



- ❖ If you have any specific concerns about your child, please make an appointment to see the teacher or feel free to email us at
year5@st-johns-gosport.hants.sch.uk