

In literacy, we are learning:

- **Reading**

To apply word attack strategies to help accurately read tricky and unfamiliar words.

To scan to find specific information, when directed to a section of text.

- **Talking and listening**

To listen to and show my understanding of a story, explanation or presentation being given by someone else.

To explain how I have carried out a process or solved a problem.

- **Phonics / spelling**

To spell less commonly used words correctly and use paragraphs to separate ideas and events.

- **Writing**

To focus on setting, plot & character descriptions in narrative. To use instructional verbs and include materials and equipment in my instruction reports.

Wider Curriculum

Classroom Novel – The Christmasaurus

Discovery Zone – Life in a castle

Science – Buoyancy and Electrical Cells themes. STEM experiments.

French – Family members, numbers and calendar.

RE – Christmas Carols, the meaning behind the lyrics.

In Health & Wellbeing we are learning:

- **Emotional Health**

Food and Health: Special Diets.

- **Physical Health**

Central Net and Wall.

Target Games: Archery / Petanque.

Better Movers and Thinkers – Activities suitable for warm-ups.

Our Learning Journey Primary 5 Base 9 October to December 2025

Other Information

P.E. days are Thursdays (hall) and Mondays (pitch) – please bring PE kit and indoor gym shoes for the hall.

Loose Parts Outdoor Learning Day is every 2 Wednesdays, starting on Wed 22nd Oct. Please send in wellies and waterproof clothes (or old footwear/clothes) to wear for this.

Homework issued on a Friday for following Friday.

Useful websites for this term's learning:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zd2f7nb/articles/zn2y7nb>

In maths, we are learning:

- **Number Structures**

To describe the place value of each digit in a number and within decimal place.

To find 1, 10, 100 & 1000 more and multiply/divide by 10, 100 & 1000.

- **Measurement**

To measure objects, read scales and calculate the perimeter of regular shapes and rectangles.

To convert between different units of length.

To calculate the area of regular shapes.

To measure the mass of objects and read scales using g and kg.

To explain the relation between ml and l and read scales using them.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 30th October – Halloween Disco

Friday 31st October – Halloween Dress up/Down Day

Thursday 6th November – Parents Night

Monday 17th November – School closed to pupils for staff In-service training

Wednesday 26th November – Parent Council Meeting

Thursday 18th December – school closes at 2.30pm for Christmas break

Monday 5th January 2026 – School re-opens