

Kiwi Primary School

CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Autumn Term 2 2025



Morepork Owl Class – Mrs K Addyman



New Zealand Falcon Class – Mrs L Leach



Black Kite Class – Miss M Lawley

Welcome to Year 5/6

Homework

Reading

Purpose: To develop a love for reading and improve literacy skills. At Kiwi we recognise the power of regular reading for our children's wellbeing, emotional literacy and outcomes.

Expectations: Children are encouraged to read for at least 10-15 minutes each weekday. This can include reading aloud to a parent/carer or, in the older years, independent reading.

Support: Children have access to physical books from our school and class libraries as well as e-books through the Collins website. A list of places where free books are available can be found on our website.

Spellings

Purpose: To enhance spelling skills and expand children's vocabulary.

Expectations: Once a week children will be given a list of spellings to learn based on the spelling rules learned in class. Using strategies introduced through our No-Nonsense Spelling Scheme, children will be able to practice applying the rules they have learned.

Support: In class, children will learn spelling rules and strategies for practice, parents and carers can encourage their children to apply those to their practice at home.

Maths

Purpose: To build a strong foundation in mathematics through regular practise of multiplications.

Expectations: All children at Kiwi will use Hit the Button and the NCETM website to practise their multiplication skills.

Support: Parents/carers can support their children by incorporating practice into daily activities (e.g. counting items, calculating shopping totals).

Please get in touch with your child's class teacher if you are unable to access any of our online platforms.

English Writing



Inspired by the animation, children will write a narrative which uses dialogue to advance the action, active and passive voice and relative clauses.

Guided Reading

In guided reading, the children will develop their VIPER skills through the reading of the novel Wonder. They will engage in reading fluency development through whole-class reading strategies.

Science – Mixtures and separation

This term in year 5/6, the children will explore reversible and irreversible changes, investigate separation techniques, and plan scientific enquiries using variables to answer key questions.

Computing – video production

Year 5/6 will learn to plan, film, and edit impactful videos by applying techniques, using digital tools, and evaluating creative

Design and Technology - Textiles: soft toys.

Children will create a stuffed toy by applying skills learnt in previous units and be introduced to the blanket stitch.

Maths

In Maths this term, the children will begin to explore their fractions unit. They will begin with developing an understanding of simplifying fractions and finding equivalent fractions – before moving into more complex fraction work including multiplying and dividing fractions.

The children will use Number Sense to develop their fluency work in multiplication.

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Physical Education

In our fitness sessions, children will improve in a range of aerobic and anaerobic fitness areas. Children gain an appreciation of physical activity as a lifelong habit and understand how it can improve mental wellbeing.

Geography

This term, the children will explore the question: what is life like in the Alps?

They will explore the Alps' location, features, and tourism. Additionally, they will compare Alpine and local areas through human and physical geography studies.

French

Learn the four seasons in French, describe key features, and express personal preferences with reasons using simple sentences.

Music

Explore time signatures, rhythms, and musical styles through songs and poems, experimenting with articulation, dynamics, and timbre in performance.

PSHE

This term the children will be working together to foster positive relationships whilst developing their assertiveness skills and understanding of physical contact.

Enrichment Activities

After school clubs