

Kiwi Primary School



CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Spring Term 1 2025-2026



Morepork Owl Class – Mrs K Addyman



New Zealand Falcon Class – Mrs A Brewu



Black Kite Class – Mrs H Hodges

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 and tale of King Midas, children will write a narrative including: modal verbs, expanded noun phrases and subordinating clauses.

Guided Reading

In guided reading, the children will develop their fluency and VIPERS skills through the reading of the novel The Nowhere Emporium and supporting text extracts.

Science – Life cycles and reproduction

Children study life cycles and reproduction in plants and animals, recording complex data using diagrams, graphs, and classification keys.

Computing

Children will develop programs using loops and conditions to control physical systems, while designing, testing, and evaluating computing projects effectively.

Art

Investigating self-portraits by a range of artists, children use photographs of themselves as a starting point for developing their own unique self-portraits in mixed media.

Maths

In Maths this term, the children will begin to explore ratio, algebra and decimals. They will be introduced to the language of ratio. The children will use Number Sense to develop their fluency work in multiplication.

History

This term, the children will explore the question: What did the Greeks ever do for us? Discover Ancient Greece's myths, democracy, and achievements through enquiry, debate, and creativity—exploring their impact on the modern world.

RE

Children will explore religious and non-religious journeys, understanding why places hold meaning for Muslims, Christians, Jews, and Humanists.

Music

Create mood and character using vocal and instrumental sounds, exploring dynamics, tempo, articulation, and leitmotifs in composition.

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

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Myths and Legends



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.