

Year 6 Term 5 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our learning for Term 5 is detailed below so you can support your children in their learning at home. Please keep up-to-date with the latest news from Year 6 by following our Twitter account (@FromeValeYr6) and by checking our Wordpress page regularly. I am always available if you need to speak to me at the end of the day but you can also contact me via email (either via the school office or directly at year6@fva.clf.uk). See you on the playground!

We are Readers

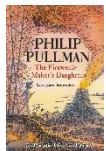


The children are able to borrow a range of suitable fiction and non-fiction texts from school. These books are kept in quarantine in school when returned so that they can be safely borrowed.

Children should read every day and they should read to an adult at least twice a week. Please record each time you read with your child in the yellow Reading Record. If your child has at least four reads recorded in a week, they will earn a house point. If the Reading Record is not signed twice, your child will have the opportunity to read to an adult at lunchtime on Friday.

More details about supporting the children in their home reading is available on our Wordpress site along with a video of a reading lesson which will support questioning at home.

We are Writers

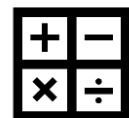


In Term 5, our writing will be based around a children's version of Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. Over the term, we will be writing a range of narrative pieces where we innovate ideas in the story and retell sections from different perspectives. In addition to this, we will be writing persuasively around this story.

We are Mathematicians

Next term, we are going to be extending our understanding of measures by exploring perimeter, area and volume.

After that, we are going to be studying geometry, specifically properties of shape. During this time, we will be drawing 2D shapes using given dimensions and angles.

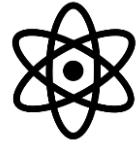


In order to build and maintain number fluency, we will be consolidating our mental and written arithmetic skills throughout the term in our Mathsmagicians sessions.

We are Scientists

This term, we are continuing to study Biology. Our focus will be plant structure and processes.

In this unit, we will learn the difference in structure between vascular and non-vascular plants. We will also learn that plants make their own food through the process of photosynthesis.



We are Athletes

PE will be taught twice a week, on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that children have a PE kit in school on both days. Kit can be left in school or taken home. Please label all items of clothing clearly.



We are Historians



In Term 5, we are going to study Ancient Greece. In this unit, we will explore the famous figure of Alexander the Great and the origin of the Olympic games. In addition, we will learn about Ancient Greek gods and the birth of democracy in the West.

We are Artists

In Term 5, we will be focusing on art. In particular, we will be extending our experience of collage. This will take place in one week towards the end of the term.



We are Home Learners

Home Learning is set each Friday and should be completed by the following Friday. The work can be completed in the red Love of Learning book which your child will bring home. Each week, Home Learning will consist of one reading task and one other piece connected to the wider curriculum. Home Learning tasks will be posted on our Wordpress page which is available at <https://fromevalecitizens.wordpress.com/year-6-2/>

We are Frome Vale Citizens

This term's Learning Behaviour is **Focus**. The FVA Value is **Courage**. We will be thinking about how we can demonstrate and practice courage in our lives. Our key question will be: *What is the connection between courage and risk?*