

All about me

Moving to a new class can be a scary time, but your child has already gotten to know me during our time in Year 4 together.



During this time, they have found out that I love learning just as much as them – that's why I teach. Our classroom is built on trust and a common understanding that we are all here to have fun and learn.

The children know that I'm approachable and over the coming year I hope more of you take the time to come and say hello too.

How to contact me

If you ever need to talk to me please do feel free to catch me at the classroom door, but do bear in mind that I tend to be busy in the mornings ensuring the class is set for the day.

If you would like a more private chat my email is:

sgatehouse@monksmoorprimary.co.uk
or leave a message with the Primary Office and I will get back to you with a phone call or arrange a meeting at your convenience.

What we will be learning this year

During this year we have three main topics that we will base our humanities learning:



In the autumn term we will learn about the features and characteristics of land use in **agricultural** regions across the world, including a detailed exploration of significant environmental area

Moving into the Spring term we turn our attention to the **ancient Greeks** learning about developments and changes over six periods of ancient Greek history, including the city state of Athens.



Finally, in the Summer term we will travel to the Far East - China, focusing primarily on the **Shang Dynasty**, and exploring the lasting legacy of the first five Chinese dynasties, some of which can still be seen in the world today.



Maths

By Year 5 every child should know and be able to rapidly recall all their time tables up to the 12-time table.

If your child is unable to do this, please continue to practise them starting with the 2s, 5s and 10s followed by the 3s, 4s and 8s, then 11s, 6s, 9s, 12s and lastly 7s.

If your child is already fluent with their times table, practising their division facts will help them as we start to look at the more complex fraction and division calculations this year.

Reading

Reading in Year 5 takes the form of:

- Shared class book that is read every day
- Daily reading comprehension lessons
- Children visit the library every Monday and choose a 'free reader' reading book

Children are expected to read at home, but we do not require parents to record this for school.

Our Forest school day is

Thursday afternoons

Reminder of Forest school clothing

Cold Weather

- Hat and gloves (scarves not advised)
- Long sleeve top
- Jumper
- Coat
- Leggings or trousers (or both!)
- Socks (2 pairs and/or welly socks)
- Wellies

Hot Weather

- Sun cream
- Hat
- Light-weight, long sleeved top
- Light-weight trousers
- Wellies or Trainers

PE days

Tuesday and Friday

Please be reminded earrings should be removed and long hair tied back.



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Welcome to Year 5

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