

Ashton Gate Primary School

'Rising High Together'

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Welcome to Term 1

We are very excited to be welcoming back our new Year 5 pupils. We hope they settle into their new classes and enjoy getting to know their new teachers.

We have lots of exciting and engaging topics that the children will love. Our curriculum overview is available on our year page, and you can find details of what we will be learning about in each subject below.

If you or anyone that you know has any skills linked to what we will be learning about this term, and you would be willing and able to come in and share them with the children, please let your child's class teacher know as this can be a very enriching experience for the children and they absolutely love having visitors.

Please visit our year group web page to find copies of all communication sent home, weekly homework, spellings, key information and dates and of course, photos of us enjoying our learning.

We will be available on the playground at the end of the school day and can be contacted by email.

Our contact details are below and can also be found on the school website, so please do get in contact if you need to at any point.

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Year 5

Term 1
Newsletter



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Dates for your diary and special events:

Thursday 3rd September 2026 –
INSET Day

Friday 4th September 2026 – INSET
Day

**Children start back on Monday 7th
September 2026**

Thursday 17th September –
Rockband starts in school

Friday 18th September – Parent
meet and greet with class teacher

Monday 21st September- PAPAYA –
Me and my screen workshop

English

In our English lessons we will be reading a book called Shackleton's Journey. Shackleton's Journey by William Grill is an award-winning, illustrated non-fiction picture book that chronicles Sir Ernest Shackleton's ill-fated 1914 Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition

Maths

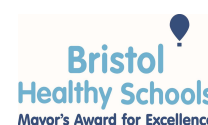
We will start our Maths this year by doing place value and learning the value of numbers up to 1 million. This will support us with many of our Maths topics this year, especially as we move onto trickier addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems.

Alongside this, please continue to practise Times tables as home using TT Rockstars.

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PSHE

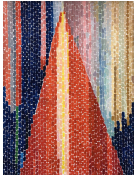
In PSHE this term, we
will be learning about
self care.



Science

This term we will be looking at what properties materials have and how we can use them. We will be carrying out lots of experiments to see how materials can be separated and finding out which changes are reversible.

Art



This term we will be looking at Alma Thomas, an artist who was inspired by space and America's race to get to into space. We will be exploring different media and creating our own abstract art inspired by the work that she has produced.

Music

Every week, musicians from Bristol Beacon will be coming in to start our Rockband sessions. The children will be learning a range of games to build on their understanding of the interrelated dimensions of music and have the opportunity to learn the guitar, keyboard, drums and sing.

History

This term we will be learning about Ancient Greece. Exploring how Greece was divided into independent states rather than a single country, with a deep dive into the contrasting societies of Athens and Sparta.



Supporting your child's learning at home

In term one we would like children to focus on reading at home regularly and recording this in their reading records. We recommend aiming to read at home at least three times a week. The class teacher will check reading records and stamp them on a weekly basis. Children can also learn the ten spellings which are published on the website. These will change over a two-week period and will begin in week 3. We would also like children to carry on using times table rockstars to maintain fluency with their times tables.

French

This term we will be looking at language around local places and amenities.

Religion and Worldview

This term we will be investigating the question, why do people stand up for what they believe in?

PE

This term, PE will be:

5H – Wednesday

5O – Week 1 Wednesday Week 2 Thursday

5B – Wednesday

5MC – Week 1 Monday and Week 2 Thursday

Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit on PE days.



We will be updating our webpage regularly with photographs of what we have been doing, so do check in when you can. We look forward to sharing a great Term 1 in year 5!