

Y5/6 Learning Project Week 1

Theme - Family

Weekly Maths tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Log on to [Times Table Rockstars](#) - your child will have an individual login to access this
- Play on [Hit the Button](#) - focus on times tables, division facts and square numbers.
- Use [Mathletics](#) and play some of the tasks you have been set. – your child will have an individual login to access this.
- Use [Purple Mash](#) to practise your maths skills – your child will have an individual login to access this.
- Get a piece of paper and ask your child to show everything they know about **Addition**. This could be pictures, diagrams, explanations, methods etc. They can be as creative as they want to be.
- Daily arithmetic for different areas of maths. Your child should aim to work on level 4, 5 and 6 activities.
- Get your child to work on their reasoning and problem solving by practising past SATs questions that are broken down into topic areas and have videos linked to them that can be watched if needed. As these are older papers these are suitable for both years 5 and 6. Click on one of the topic areas listed to gain access to the questions.

Weekly Reading Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Use [Purple Mash](#) to practise your reading and comprehension through the use of serial mash
- Ask your child to read a chapter from their home reading book (reading challenge book) or a book that they have borrowed from the library.
- Use the comprehension skills (Explain, Retrieve and Interpret) to create 5 questions and answer them.
- Following this, ask your child to summarise the events from the chapter. They could bullet point what happened, create a comic strip or present the information in their own creative way.
- Encourage your child to note down any unfamiliar words from the chapter they have read. Explore the meanings of these words by using a dictionary, reading around the sentence or using print conventions. Create their own sentences using these words.
- Challenge your child to read something around the house that is not a book (newspaper/magazine/leaflet). They can then complete their reading diary following this.

Weekly Spelling Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Practise the Year 5/6 common exception words – (see below for list)
- Go to the [Top Marks](#) website and play some spelling/grammar games
- Use [Readiwriter](#) and practise the words you have been set. - your child will have an individual login to access this.
- Then ask your child to choose five Common Exception words. They can then write a synonym, antonym, the meaning and an example of how to use the word in a sentence.
- Practise spellings on [Spelling Frame](#).
- Your child can create a vocabulary bank about their family. They may want to use this for some of their writing tasks this week.
- Get your child to proofread their writing from the day. They can use a dictionary to check the spelling of any words that they found challenging. This will also enable them to check that the meaning of the word is suitable for the sentence.

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Weekly Writing Tasks (Aim to do 1 per day)

- Ask your child to write a diary entry/newspaper report summarising the events from the day. They can write this from their own perspective.
- Your child can think about a member of their family who is a hero/heroine to them. They can then create an information report about their chosen hero/heroine. Why not encourage them to interview that person and include some direct quotes from the interview?
- What makes your family different to other families? What makes them the same? Ask your child to write a poem about their family, they may even want to perform it too.
- Children should only be allowed to watch TV for one hour a day. Do you agree/disagree? Write a discussion about this statement.
- Story task: Ask your child to design a setting for a story genre of their choice. They can think about any settings that they have encountered in stories before. They must then write a short description including expanded noun phrases

Weekly R.E. (Aim to do 2/3 times a week)

- Visit [universalis](http://universalis.org), on the left hand side select Readings from Mass. On the right hand side, find the readings for Sunday's Mass.

Reflective Tasks:

- **Monday** – You need to read Sunday's Gospel.
- **Tuesday** – Explain the Gospel to someone in your house (sibling, parents or carer)
- **Thursday** – Log onto [daily reflections](http://dailyreflections.org) select one of the readings and write a reflective piece about what we can learn from this reading.
- **Friday** – Create a modern reading of the Gospel in your own words in your note book.

Learning project (To be done throughout the week)

The project this week aims to provide opportunities for your child to gain a better understanding of their own family. Learning may focus on the different makeup of families, what traditions your family has, stories linked to your family etc.

- **Music from the Past** - Your child can research music from the decade their parents, grandparents or other older family members were born. What were the most popular bands or singers during this time? Ask them to perform a song from this decade and create their very own dance routine. Encourage them to explain how they need to improve their performance in order to achieve their personal best.
- **Portraits and Photography**- Direct your child to take portrait photographs of their family members considering light and textures. Following this, they can then use the photographs to draw portraits in pen considering light and tone.
- **Classification**- Ask your child to design a classification key based on the simple physical features of their family. They can then test out the keys on each member of their family. Only use 'yes' or 'no' questions.

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- **Nature vs Nurture-** Speak to your child about their appearance, their personality and their dreams for the future. How much of this do they believe is determined by their genes? How much of this is determined by their family/upbringing? Ask them to decide which traits are due to nature and which traits are due to nurture e.g. hobbies and interests or sense of humour. Try this out on other family members.
- **Mapping Skills -** Identify the countries or cities within the UK where their family members originate from or live. Children can then plot these on a map and then create a bar chart to show the number of family members who live/lived in each city/country.

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New Curriculum Spelling List Years 5 and 6



accommodate	communicate	equip	immediately	physical	sincerely
accompany	community	equipped	individual	prejudice	soldier
according	competition	equipment	interfere	privilege	stomach
achieve	conscience	especially	interrupt	profession	sufficient
aggressive	conscious	exaggerate	language	programme	suggest
amateur	controversy	excellent	leisure	pronunciation	symbol
ancient	convenience	existence	lightning	queue	system
apparent	correspond	explanation	marvellous	recognise	temperature
appreciate	criticise	familiar	mischievous	recommend	thorough
attached	curiosity	foreign	muscle	relevant	twelfth
available	definite	forty	necessary	restaurant	variety
average	desperate	frequently	neighbour	rhyme	vegetable
awkward	determined	government	nuisance	rhythm	vehicle
bargain	develop	guarantee	occupy	sacrifice	yacht
bruise	dictionary	harass	occur	secretary	
category	disastrous	hindrance	opportunity	shoulder	
cemetery	embarrass	identity	parliament	signature	
committee	environment	immediate	persuade	sincere	