



Upcoming Events/Topics

W.c. 2nd December - 'Positive Potions' (*Harry Potter* themed)
Friday 6th December—Decorations afternoon (Parents welcome @ 2pm)
Friday 13th December - Year 5 and 6 Christingle Service
W.c. 16th December - *What message did the angels bring?* (*Religion and Worldviews*)
W.c. 7th January - A Journey Through France

Topic—positive potions

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This week, year five have begun our new topic *Positive Potions*. In this topic, we explore chemistry and Design Technology through the Harry Potter stories.

We will be exploring reversible and irreversible changes as well as making potions by mixing solutes and solvents to make solutions and separating potion ingredients after a mistake at Hogwarts.

We end the topic by designing a bag for Harry to use during his time at Hogwarts and learn sewing techniques to make the bag.

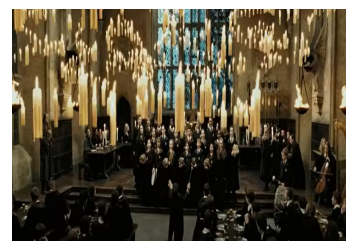
Maths ([link to fraction policy](#))

Over the last couple of weeks, year 5 have been exploring fractions. We have used our times table knowledge to find equivalent fractions and we are beginning to add and subtract fractions

Knowing our times table facts have really helped us. Don't forget to complete the maths homework sent home each week—this is linked to the maths that we do in school and is a great help. In addition to this, we still have Times Table Rockstars which you can use to help you recall the times table facts.

English—Poetry

Linked to our topic, we will be writing rhyming poems based on the *Double Double* song in Harry Potter (click the picture below to watch it). Watch this space for some of their work.



Homework Expectations (Friday to Friday)

Reading - at least four times a week

Spelling focused activity (paper based)

Times tables focused activity (paper based)

TTRockstars/Spelling Shed - **optional** extra

We *really* appreciate your continued support with this!

Recommended Read



Elfridges!

This is a 'buy a gift' event run by our wonderful, *Friends of Dereham Junior* where children can bring money into school to buy a ready wrapped gift for people at home. Each gift will be priced at £2.50 so they bring in the amount of money they need for how many people they are buying for.

Year 5 will be able to visit *Elfridges* on Thursday 5th December.