



Autumn Term 2023



Welcome back to the new academic year! We hope you are all ready and raring for an

exciting time in Year 5 with us.

This term our theme is South American Adventures. This theme will see us exploring the geography of South America; learning more about the River Amazon and knowing about the creatures and vegetation of the Amazon Rainforest.

If you have any expertise or artefacts you'd like to share with us linked to our theme, we'd love to hear from you.

Key Dates:	
13th September 2023	Y5 Meet the Teacher Meeting 3.25pm
19th September 2023	Trip to Redwood
w/c 25th September	Science week
24th and 26th October	Parents' Evening

Teacher contact details:	TRIPS	
<u>Kestrel</u> Mrs Wilkins—rwilkins@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk Mrs Daily— Idaily@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk	September 19th—We will be visiting Redwood Outdoor Education Centre near Slimbridge to complete some team building activities in the woodland.	
<u>Owl</u> Mr Giles—ggiles@kingsway.gloucs.sch.uk Please remember you can contact us via email, Class Dojo or by speaking to us in person.	Whole Class Instrument Tuition We are so lucky to be learning the Ukulele for the Autumn Term.	
Homework Homework will be set on a Wednesday and should be returned by the following Monday. We use Class Dojo to share and complete tasks. If you need something to keep you busy, remember we have TT Rockstars and reading is such a key skill to further help improve your writing.	PE days PE is an important aspect of a healthy lifestyle and we aim for our pupils to lead active lifestyles to de- velop a healthy and happy mind and body. All children are required to participate in 2 hours of PE each week. Please ensure that your child has suitable clothing for both indoor and outdoor sessions. Children are to come to school dressed in their uniform on PE days and then will change into their PE kit in school before the PE session. Please en- sure your child's PE kit matches our expectations as set out in the uniform guidelines. PE days Monday and Thursday	
Reading at home		

If a child reads for 15 minutes a day, they could acquire up to 2 million new words in a year!

You can help us build your child's mind and soul by listening to them read and encouraging them to read for at least 15 minutes a day. This could also include comics, newspapers and magazines.

Please record all reading in their reading diary as this will be monitored by the class teachers.

Many thanks for your support and encouragement with your child's educational journey.