

PANTHERS CLASS NEWSLETTER

June 2026



Hello! It is great to welcome the children back for their final half-term in Year 5. There is so much to look forward to this term with the annual events such as sports day taking place. Panthers Class threw themselves back into school with a fantastic trip to Holdenby House where they learned about how rich and poor Tudors lived and even took part in pike drill practise where they fought off the Spanish invaders!



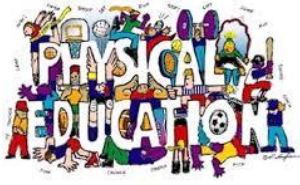
Off with her head! Our topic on the Terrifying Tudors continues. This term the children are focussing on the execution of Anne Boleyn, the daily lives of rich and poor Tudors and finishing with a look at Gloriana herself, Elizabeth I. Also, they will learn about exploration and the role of legal pirates.

English: We begin the term by looking at persuasive texts. After that, the children will be introduced to stories and poetries from other cultures around the world. As well as analysing the poetry, they will be reminded about figurative language and look at how it adds to the power of the poems. We will look at stories from across the globe, particularly from the modern era. Also, the children will be consolidating their basic writing skills in grammar and punctuation in preparation for their move up to year 6.

Maths: The term will start with area and perimeter followed by volume and Roman numerals. As the term progresses, the children will be securing their skills on place value, fractions and decimals, the four operations and answering word problems.

Science: This half-term, the children will be completing the topic of properties of materials looking at how to separate materials, reversible and irreversible changes the uses of materials and other properties like conductivity and solubility.

Computing: This half term the children will be exploring programming. This unit explores the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch. First, learners find out what variables are and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed. Then they use variables to create a simulation of a scoreboard. They follow this by experimenting with variables in an existing project, then modify them, before they create their own project which they design and improve.



Our P.E. sessions are on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Friday afternoons (athletics sessions). Children should come to school in their P.E. kits on these days. Remember that long hair should be tied up and earrings removed or covered with micropore tape



Spellings will be given out every Wednesday and there will be a test the following Tuesday. Please log onto spellingframe.co.uk to practise. The child with the most points every week will win a certificate and a dip in the box.



Homework will also be handed out on Thursdays and then should be returned by the following Tuesday.

Dates for your diary:

- Friday 12th June: Dress down day - bring a bottle
- Monday 15th June: Class photos
- Wednesday 17th June: Summer Fayre
- Wednesday 24th June: Sports Day
- Friday 17th July: Last day of term

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Blurton