

What We Are Learning This Week in Year 5

(Week Commencing 10th November 2025)

English

This week, we are continuing to read 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. We will be looking at punctuating speech; there is some information about the rules for direct speech on [this website](#). We will be writing our own sentences using direct speech before moving on to using speech within our own stories.

Things to do at home:

Work through [this webpage](#), learning about how we punctuate direct speech in our writing. Look in your reading book to see if you can find any examples of speech, then look carefully at how it has been punctuated. Try writing your own sentences containing direct speech.

This week's spellings:

<i>innocent</i>	<i>innocence</i>	<i>decent</i>
<i>decency</i>	<i>frequent</i>	<i>frequency</i>
<i>confident</i>	<i>confidence</i>	<i>different</i>
<i>difference</i>	<i>competent</i>	<i>competency</i>
<i>obedient</i>	<i>obedience</i>	<i>independent</i>
<i>independence</i>		

Maths

This week, we will be furthering our focus understanding what fractions are, their value and identifying equivalent fractions. We will be ordering fractions as well as looking at adding and subtracting fractions.

Comparing and ordering fractions will use the children's recent knowledge of finding common multiples and factors and will be the building block for the children to then understand how to add and subtract fractions. A good resource to remind the children how to compare fractions can be found [here](#).

When looking at how to add and subtract fractions, the best resources that follow the methods we use in school are:

[Adding and subtracting fractions Key Stage 2.](#)

[Challenge material - adding and subtracting Key Stage 3.](#)

Other Subjects:

This half-term, in our DT lessons, we will be making a cushion. To prepare for this, we are going to be practising a range of different stitches this week. Watch the following videos to learn more about some of the stitches – you could practise these if you have a needle and thread at home.

Running stitch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i1-B01FB56s>

Backstitch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjHm8CL9WDA>

Overstitch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gmD9vpo5Fso>

Blanket stitch: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9zegUYdPmg>

A reminder...

This week is Anti-Bullying Week. There will be an assembly about anti-bullying as well as activities occurring within the classrooms throughout the week. On Wednesday 12th November, we invite the whole school to wear Odd Socks to highlight the fact that we are all unique!