



NEWSLETTER



Happy New Year!

Welcome back Year 5. We hope you have all had a relaxing break and are looking forward to the term ahead. We can't wait to get started.

Topics For The Term

Our topic this term is '**From Farming to Machines**' where we will be focusing on the history of Derby through the industrial revolution into the Victorian period. We will look at how changes from agricultural to industry and trade affected the lives of people and the many inventions that changed every day's lives of everyone. As part of our history and geography work we will be going to visit the Museum of Making in Derby to take part in a workshop that will guide us through the impact of the industrial revolution on Derby and Derbyshire. Please note the change of date; this is due to the flood repairs that the museum has been through.

In English we will be reading two fantastic books to help inspire our writing this term - **Hidden Figures** by Margot Lee Shetterly and **The Man Who Walked Between the Towers** by Modica Gerstein.

Our science topic this term is **materials and their properties**. We will be investigating how to separate mixtures of different materials, finding out about dissolving and how to recover a dissolved solid. We will also be looking at the difference between reversible and irreversible changes including some interesting chemical reactions.

Optional Homework—

If your child would like to complete extra activities linked to our learning at home, here are some suggestions.





- <https://play.trockstars.com/> - log-in details in child's reading record
- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- Find out about some of the inventions that were created during The Industrial Revolution- draw pictures with some facts underneath.
- Create a fact file or draw a portrait for one of The Hidden Figures or about NASA.
- Watch The Hidden Figures movie (PG) and write a review of the movie

Year 5 Dates For Your Diary

16.1.25	Young Voices Concert
27.1.24	Mini First Aid (2 classes)
29.1.2.24	Mini First Aid (2 classes)
5.2.25	Museum of Making Visit (5B and 5H)
12.2.25	Museum of Making Visit (5LC and 5JC)
13.2.25	Valentine's Disco
14.2.25	INSET day—school closed

PE - Please ensure your child's PE kit is labelled and in school every week. It is important that the children learn to take responsibility for their own belongings and having named kit helps greatly with this.

Communication - If you would like to contact your child's class teacher please email.

-  **5B@chellastonjuniors.org**
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We are looking forward to a busy and action packed half term. Remember to keep being **KIND** to everyone around us as we can have such a big impact on how other people feel.

