



Year 5 Topic Introduction – ‘Brainwaves’

Dear Parents,

Over the next 2 weeks Year 5 will be following a unit of work on a theme that focuses on ‘The art of learning’.

This unit of work is part of the International Primary Curriculum. During this unit we will be focusing on tasks that explore positive learning.

We’ll be finding out:

- About different methods of teaching and how we like to learn
- About some of the different areas of the brain
- How information gets into the brain
- How relaxation can help prepare us for learning
- How we can improve our memory
- How positive thinking can help us to succeed
- How we can support each other to achieve our goals
- How we can become more active global citizens

Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, working on their own and working in groups. We will be checking to see how well your child has learned through particular activities and asking children to explain their work, perhaps to you.

We already know the interest you take in your child’s work. If you can, please discuss with your child the work they have done as the term progresses and let them teach you. During their work they may well ask you about your own learning. Be honest when sharing your experiences of learning – times when you have enjoyed learning something new and times when you have found it difficult. Try and offer positive support and encourage your child to understand that not everyone is good at everything, but the more that we practise something, the better we will get.

By the end of the unit, we hope your child has had an enjoyable time in the classroom. And we hope you have enjoyed seeing your child work with enthusiasm. If you have any comments or questions about your child’s learning, please get in touch.

Best wishes,

The Year 5 Team