



Lowerhouse Junior School

Pupil Conferencing (SLT) – October 2025



Year 5 – Chestnut	
<p>Do you enjoy lessons in Year 5? Tell me why.</p> <p>What are the key expectations set by adults in your class around attitudes to learning and your work?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – I enjoy lessons in Year 5 because Mr Cosgrove makes them fun so it helps me learn better. Mr Cosgrove always expects us to use our key grammar focuses in our writing liked fronted adverbials. He also reminds us about simple punctuation like full stops. – I like lessons in class with Mr Cosgrove because he gives us fun activities and reminds us to try our best and to have a go. Mr Cosgrove expects us to always try our best even if we are stuck. We should not give up. – Mr Cosgrove is supportive in class and always encourages to keep trying to work together to get the answer. Mr Cosgrove expects us to show our value of “Resilience” and stick with a task when stuck.
<p>How does school keep you and children safe and around expectations around school?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – When we went to Rosegrove Infants for our Guardian Angel visit, we learnt and were reminded about Road Safety and how to be safe. – In PSHE lessons, Mr Cosgrove teaches us about making the right choices and showing sensible behaviour when with others. We also have posters around school showing how to behave in school. – PSHE is a big one around this as we learn a number of things to be safe like Anti-bullying and Online Safety, so we know how to be safe.
<p>In Science you have been covering Materials and Properties. Can you talk me through what you have learnt? <i>(In Science we have been learning about Materials and Properties. Did you know?)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In Science, we have been learning about materials and their properties. Did you know a conductor is a material that lets heat and electricity flow through it? – In Science, we have been learning about materials and their properties. Did you know that when we did experiments on absorbent materials, we found kitchen roll was best because it was made of many layers to soak up the water? – In Science, we have been learning about materials and their properties. Did you know that when heat or electricity is blocked it is an insulator? <i>Then showed an action to remember conductors and insulators</i>
<p>In Geography you have been learning about South America. Can you talk me through what you have learnt? <i>(In Geography we have been learning about the UK. Did you know?)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In Geography, we have been learning about South America. Did you know one of the smaller countries at the top of South America is called Suriname? There is also the equator that goes through countries in South America meaning it is really hot. – In Geography, we have been learning about South America. Did you know the largest country in South America is Brazil? It is famous for Rio De Janeiro, Carnivals and the big statue of Jesus (Christ the Redeemer). – In Geography, we have been learning about South America. Did you know some countries in South America are Peru, Brazil and Chile.
<p>Think of a topic you have covered in Maths during Year 5. Can you share what you have learnt? <i>(In Maths we have been learning about Did you know?)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In Maths, we have been learning about column addition and subtraction. Did you know to check answers I use the invers and column methods as I find it quicker and easy. <i>Solved 347,623 – 124,376 and then the inverse operation to check (used exchanging in both problems).</i> – In Maths, we have been learning about compensation. Did you know when subtracting big numbers, we need to keep the bigger number at the top? We also do when adding but it’s not as important. We have to exchange when we can’t do the takeaway. – In Maths, we have been learning about Graphs and Charts. Did you know we need to use a ruler when working with a line graph to check we are accurate when checking to the line.

