



December 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Spring term theme for Year 5 is 'What causes people to leave their homes?'. Many areas of the curriculum are being taught through this theme, whereas others are taught discretely. Please see our Topic Web for information on the broader coverage for each subject. We have tailored our homework menu to expand on learning we are doing this term. There is also optional homework on My Maths and weekly spellings.

Reading

Our class book for this term is 'No Ballet Shoes in Syria' by Catherine Bruton, which follows Aya (a Syrian asylum seeker) as she learns to depend on "the kindness of strangers".

In Year 5, children are expected to be more independent in their reading. We still expect them to read every day and we try to encourage the children to read a wider range of material. For example, newspapers, magazines, leaflets, etc, as well as their school reading books. Please continue to encourage your child to independently log their reads in their reading diary, adding a signature to show that you have heard your child read.

PE

PE will continue to be on a Wednesday and Thursday. Children should arrive at school in the correct PE kit on these days. Earrings should not be worn for safety reasons. However, if this is not possible, then plasters must be brought to school by your child.

Forest School

Our Forest School sessions will continue to take place every Tuesday morning. Children need to come appropriately dressed.

Residential

A reminder that the Year 5 residential is taking place on the 30th April - 2nd May. We will be hosting a residential meeting on Monday 24th March - more details to follow.

Thank you for your continued support.

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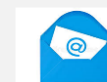
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