



Year 5 Newsletter

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go” Dr Seuss

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Issue 4

Reading

Please can you make sure your child is filling in their reading record and handing it in—we aim to **strive for 5!** Some children do this fantastically and their record is highlighted pink and they receive a team point weekly. If it is green they should be reading more - children should be reading at home at least 5 times a week for 10 minutes—that is less than an hour a week!



English

This half term we will finish studying the story Street Child by Berlie Doherty before moving on to Oranges in No Mans Land by Elizabeth Laird. Our grammar work will see us focusing on the use of commas, brackets and dashes for parenthesis.



Fair Trade

Our **geography** topic will allow us to explore Fair Trade and food miles. Have a look in your cupboards at home and see how far your food has travelled and whether it is Fair Trade. In **art** we will also be creating applique tote bags to promote Fair Trade.



RE

Did God intend Jesus to be crucified?

We will be looking closely at the Easter story and the events of Holy Week. As part of this we will be considering free will and determinism and the choices we make in every day life



Maths

Our work in maths will include; identifying prime numbers and revising finding factors of numbers before finding squares and square roots of square numbers; Knowing properties of equilateral, isosceles, scalene and right-angled triangles; find that angles in a triangle have a total of 180°; using scales to weigh amounts to the nearest half interval; convert from grams to kilograms and vice versa, from millilitres to litres and vice versa, and from metres to kilometres and vice versa



Science

Following our 'Forces' unit we will be moving on to 'Circle of Life' which will look at life cycles of various species – including mammals, amphibians and birds. We also look at and describe the life process of reproduction in plants and animals.

Other Topics

Computing ~ we are artists **Music** ~ Keeping Healthy, **French** ~ Qu'est-ce que tu veux? **PSHE** ~ Daring to be Different **PE** ~ Orienteering & Tri-golf

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Activity
23rd Feb	Sportshall Athletics Final
27th Feb	Parents Evening
28th Feb	Parents Evening
1st Mar	World Book Day
12th Mar	Science Week
16th Mar	Gymnastics Competition
27th Mar	SUPERSTAN