

# Year 5/6 Newsletter

## Dates for your diary!

Monday 3rd June - INSET DAY

Tuesday 4th June - UK Parliament assembly visit

Tuesday 11th June, 2pm - Kemble House Day Mass - parents welcome!

Friday 14th June, 2.40pm - Celebration of the Word for fathers - everyone welcome!

Monday 17th - Friday 21st (various times) - Becket Transition Lessons in school

Wednesday 26th June - Sports Day

Friday 28th June - CAFOD visit and workshop

Tuesday 2nd July - Last year 6 swimming session

Friday 5th July, 10am - First Holy Communion Mass - everyone welcome!

Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th July - Class swap days

Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th July, 6pm - Matilda Performances

Tuesday 16th July - Year 5 trip to The Becket School

Tuesday 23rd July, 11am - Leavers Assembly - everyone welcome!

Tuesday 23rd July - Last day of term!

## A message for parents

We can't believe we have arrived at Pentecost 2 already!

This half term our driver subject is geography and our topic is Biomes! We are looking forward to a very busy term with lots of events taking place - please keep an eye on ParentHub for any updates.

PE and Forest Schools will continue throughout the term regardless of weather changes. Please ensure your child brings the correct kit with them each week, our stock of spare clothing is running low and we may not be able to provide extras.

As the weather starts to (hopefully) warm up, please send your children to school with water bottles and hats to keep them safe in the sun.

Thank you,

Miss Cope, Miss Durkan and Mrs Oldershaw.

## Writing

This half term, year 5 will be writing in a range of genres including formal letters, scripts and poetry. These will all be based on the book of Matilda by Roald Dahl.

Year 6 will be covering a wider range of genres based on a number of different stimuli as we prepare for final writing assessments. These include setting descriptions, writing to persuade, character descriptions and poetry.

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## Maths

Year 6 will be completing consolidation projects which provide an opportunity to revisit many of the skills and curriculum content covered both in Year 6 and also the rest of Key Stage 2. These projects include Futures and White Rose Bakery projects

Year 5 will be completing the final blocks of the year: position and direction, statistics, converting units and volume

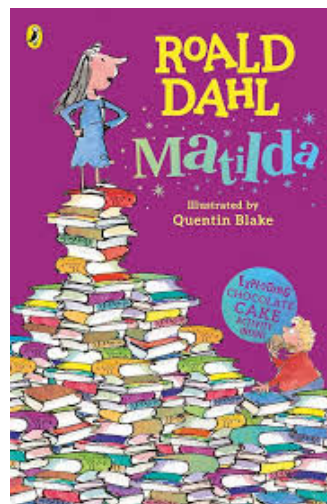
## Reading

In our reading sessions, children will revisit skills in order to consolidate their reading from throughout the year.

Key areas to be covered include:

- choice of language
- text scanning to find information
- development of themes in novels

## Texts



## RE

This term our RE topic is called 'Dialogue and Encounter' - our other faiths topic.

Year 5 will be studying Judaism. They will learn the history of the Jewish faith, analyse Hebrew scripture, its links to Christian faith and about Rosh Hashanah.

Year 6 will learn about Hinduism including: Karma and Dharma, the Hindu creation story and hopefully a trip to a Hindu temple.



## Science

In science we will be learning about Electricity.

They will explore series circuits and how to construct, draw and create variations within them. They will plan, conduct and evaluate a practical investigation on voltage.

They will also complete a short 2 week unit on fossils.

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## Geography

In Geography, both year 5 and 6 will consider the question "Why does population change?".

They will work to understand the change and distribution of the global population, understand birth and death rates, know factors influencing migration and consider the impact of climate change of the changing global population.

## Computing

Our computing strand this term is 'Data and Information'.

Year 5 will be learning about the databases and year 6 will study spreadsheets. They will learn the purposes for them, how to use them and create their own for a given brief.

## Art

This half term, we are studying Art. Children will use clay to create sculptures along the theme of "Making Memories".

They will explore the concept of self, practice sculptural techniques, develop ideas to plan a sculpture and learn how to problem solve refine their artwork to achieve a chosen outcome.

## PSHE

This term, our PSHE topic is 'Growing Up'.

This topic explores the changes that the human body experience through puberty and the nature of growing up.

Please see the letter sent home with children and on ParentHub for more details of this unit of work.

## Music

In Pentecost 2, we will be working towards composing and performing a leaving song.

We will listen to and describe music, learn how to write lyrics, organise lyrics into a song structure, compose melodies against a backing track and perform the song to others.

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## PE

All pupils will be practicing athletics this term in PE.

Across the phase, pupils will be learning and practicing running a range of distances, jumping techniques and preparing for Sports Day.

Year 6 will develop this further by learning about the effects of different exercise on the body.

## Forest Schools

This half term, pupils will continue to develop their skills with knots, summer rules, nature art and den building, as well as developing their skills when using a range of tools.

Please ensure that children have brought a pair of wellies (with socks) to keep at school for Forest Schools. Please also remember the children will continue to need their arms and legs covered for each session.

## French

In French, we will begin a new topic of Clothes!

Pupils will learn vocabulary of items of clothing and learn how to add colour adjectives in accordance to grammatical rules. They will also learn how to express an opinion of what they like and dislike and describe an outfit using adjectives correctly.