

# YEAR 5



## newsletter

**12th June 2026**

### WHAT HAVE WE LEARNT?

Welcome back to our final term in Year 5! The children have returned with a positive attitude and have settled quickly back into school routines. We have an exciting and busy term ahead, with lots of opportunities for the children to develop their learning, take part in new experiences, and prepare for the transition to Year 6.

This term, Year 5 will begin weekly **skateboarding sessions**, which will help the children develop confidence, resilience, coordination, and teamwork. We are looking forward to seeing them challenge themselves and learn new skills.

In **English**, we have started exploring *The Arrival* by Shaun Tan. This wordless picture book provides a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop their inference and storytelling skills. They are currently focusing on writing engaging narratives, with a particular emphasis on **characterisation**, **show not tell**, **intentional dialogue**, and **figurative language** to create vivid and believable characters.

In **Reading**, we have begun our new class text, *October, October* by Katya Balen. The children are already enjoying the story and have been making thoughtful predictions and inferences about the characters and events. Throughout the term, we will continue to develop reading fluency, vocabulary, retrieval, and comprehension skills.

In **Maths**, we are focusing on **calculating with decimals**. The children are developing their understanding of place value within decimal numbers and are learning to confidently **add and subtract decimals**, applying these skills to a range of reasoning and problem-solving activities.

In **Art**, we are delighted to be working with Becky this term. The children will have opportunities to develop their creativity and artistic techniques through a range of exciting practical projects.

As we move through the final term, we will continue to encourage independence, responsibility, and confidence, helping the children feel fully prepared for the exciting opportunities and challenges that Year 6 will bring.

## COMING UP THIS TERM

**Writing:** Writing to entertain

**Maths:** Decimals, negative numbers, converting units and volume.

**Geography:** Sustainability

**Science:** Living things and their habitat

**Music:** The perfect melody

**PSHE:** Safety and the changing body

**Art:** identity and mixed media journalling

**Computing:** Coding

**PE:** Cricket and skateboarding

**French:** Clothes

**RE:** What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Friday 12th June onwards** – Skateboarding sessions
- **Tuesday 30th June** – Great Athletes Event
- **Friday 4th July** – Summer Festival
- **Friday 10th July** – Reports sent home
- **Friday 10th July** – Careers Day

## REMINDERS

- Please ensure contact books are in school every day.
- Also, PE kits need to be in school on all PE days.
- Keep reading at home to move up the reading display!
- Breaktime snacks should be healthy snacks such as fruit or vegetables.

## PE Timetable

<u>Amethyst</u>	<u>Sunstone</u>	<u>Topaz</u>
Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Friday	Friday	Friday