



Year 5 Newsletter

Summer Term 2 2024/25



We hope that you all had a relaxing Spring break.
This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead.
If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Trips/Workshops

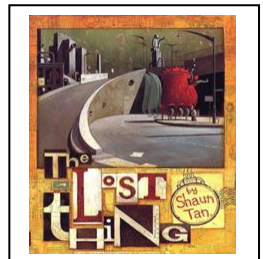
16.6.25 Author talk Phil Earle -Alley's

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Geography - Our topic this half term is The Environment

You will also have received this term's **topic homework and knowledge organiser** via email.

Additionally, these will be shared on your child's Google Classroom page. If you would like a paper version, your child can ask their class teacher.

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English - This half term, we start with Shaun Tan's The Lost Thing. We then look at the issue of palm oil use and debate its impact on the environment. We return to fiction with the traditional East European tale The Firebird and end with poetry based on the Chinese inspired story of The Willow Pattern.



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Reading – One of the most effective ways you can support your child with their academic progress and development is through reading together regularly. Your child will receive a book from school which they should look after, and bring into school each day.

Children should be reading at home each day, preferably with an adult, for 20 minutes.
Please sign your child's reading record each day to show they are reading regularly and so they can earn rewards in school. Please note, there is a £5 charge for lost books.



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Maths - This half term we are working on Shape, more Decimals, Position and Direction-including Angles, Converting Units and Volume.

You can support your child at home by looking at the weekly maths homework and practising key number facts.



Don't forget to log on to Times Tables Rockstars
<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>

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Science - This half term, our topic is Climate Change and the Greenhouse Effect. We will be asking questions, planning and conducting enquiries.



R.E – This half term we will continue with our Big Question – How does belief influence action? With the theme of thankfulness.

P.E – This term we have two outdoor PE sessions – Both will be used to work on athletics in preparation for sports day.

All children **must** wear their PE kit into school on the specified days. PE kit should consist of plain navy (black if necessary) bottoms (leggings, shorts or tracksuit bottoms), a white school t-shirt or gem house t-shirt and trainers. This should be worn with a school jumper or cardigan.

5FM	Monday	Tuesday
5RS	Monday	Tuesday
5OF	Wednesday	Thursday

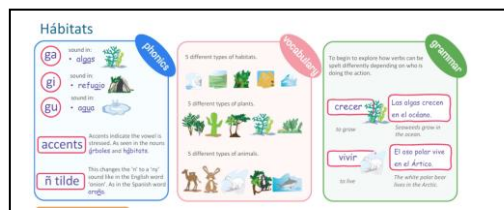
PSHE - This half term, we will be looking at Health Education- the importance of healthy eating and SRE - puberty and wellbeing.

Music - This half term, we have Samba every Thursday morning with Southwark Music Services, getting ready for Carnival.



Computing - This half term, we are creating vector graphics.

Spanish – our focus is *Habitats*.



On behalf of the Year 5 team, we look forward to a productive half term
Thank you for your support

Over the term we will be sharing examples of the work your children will be doing in class on our year group webpage: <https://www.thegemfederation.co.uk/besemer-primary/learning-hub/classes/>