

WELCOME BACK! LET'S GET YEAR 5 OFF TO A GREAT START!



This term we will be reading two fantastic class novels. In the first half term, we will read *The House With Chicken Legs*

by Sophie Anderson. This is the tale of Marinka, who lives with her grandmother Baba Yaga. She is destined to become the next guardian and guide the dead onwards to the spirit world, but she dreams of making friends and doing something else with her life. This is a beautiful story based in part on a traditional Russian folktale.

In the second half term, our novel will be *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell. This story follows the journey of a group of children stranded in the Amazon Rainforest. They are desperate to get back to civilisation, but they have many exciting adventures along the way.



I hope you've all had a lovely summer break and you're refreshed and ready to get back to school. I know it has been an unusual time and I'm sure you can't wait to get back to some normality. Some things in school will be a little different than normal to keep everyone healthy, but lots of things will be the same and Miss Lidell and I will do everything we can to put your mind at ease about any concerns you have.

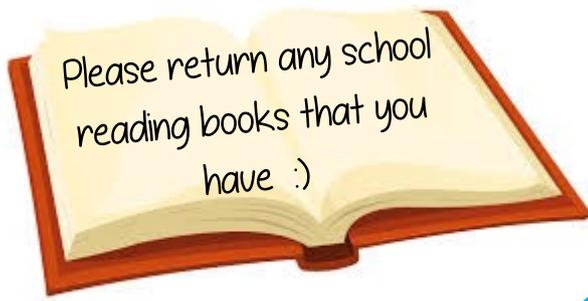
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Topics

GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY	SCIENCE	RE
South America	The Mayans	Earth & Space Forces	Sikhism

Daily Timetable

Time	Activity
8:45– 9:00	Time to talk/ Reading/ Toilets
9:00—10:00	Reading Lesson
10:00—10:45	Lesson 2 (Toilets 10:35)
10:45—11:00	Break time
11:00—11:55	Lesson 2 continues (Toilets 11:45)
11:55—12:25	Basic Skills
12:25—12:40	Assembly/ Time to Talk
12:40—1:00	Outside lunch break
1:00—1:30	Lunch
1:30—3:15	Lesson 3 (Toilets 2:00)



Time to Talk!

Everyday, we will have some time to talk in class. During this time, children can ask any questions they have and talk about anything that might be worrying them.

Homework

Homework will have to be slightly different to normal and will be phased in over this half term. Reading books and Book Club books will be sent home by the end of week 3. Spelling Shed, Reading Plus and TT Rockstars are all still available to be used as much as possible to support children with these key skills.

Blooming Brilliant Work

In class we have a display to celebrate the pieces of work children are most proud of. They can pick any piece of work to have up and change it as often as they like. We'll send home photos of the work they choose on Marvellous Me, so you can celebrate it too!

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PE Kit

Year 5 will have PE every week on Thursday. On Thursdays, children will need to come to school in their PE kit, meaning they do not need to get changed. A white polo shirt, red jumper and black or grey shorts/ joggers should be worn. PE lessons will take place outside -suitable outdoor kit should be worn.

Children will be encouraged to be as active as possible during playtimes, so suitable shoes should be worn every-day.



We will continue to use Marvellous Me to update you on the brilliant things that we get up to everyday. Expect photos, marvellous messages and things to chat about at home :)



We're so happy to have you back!