

Year 5 Newsletter

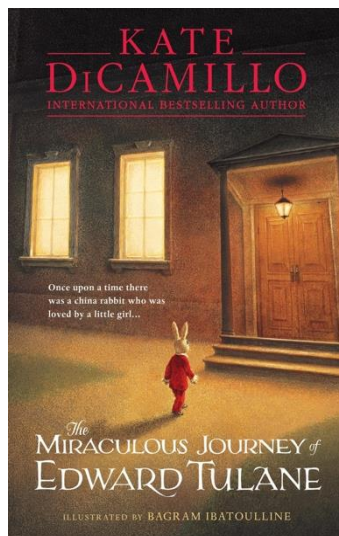
Summer Term 1 2022-2023



Welcome back – we hope you and your children had an enjoyable Easter break!

Kate DiCamillo– The Miraculous journey of Edward Tulane

This timeless and award-winning book tells the story of a China rabbit who enjoys a pleasant but vain life with his owner, 10-year-old Abilene, until he falls overboard in an accident on a boat. What follows is an extraordinary journey with themes of loss, love and change. We will be using this book to support several writing outcomes this term, including a newspaper report and a first-person character reflection. There are numerous copies available in the library which children are welcome to take home.



Uniform

Please **label all items** of clothing with your child's name to enable us to return lost property to the correct child. Last term we had several missing items that we were unable to return due to names being washed off. Children should be wearing a jumper with the **school logo**. Please remember earrings are **not permitted** at school. Children wearing earrings to school will be asked to remove them.

Home Learning

Your child must read at home, each night wherever possible, in order to make good progress. Parents/carers can help pupils by reading alongside with them and by asking questions in relation to the text. Your child will continue to receive weekly spellings alongside additional maths tasks. These will be set on Friday and must be completed by the following Friday. Children are expected to read every day and parents/carers need to acknowledge this through a signature once a week. The journals are checked in school regularly.

Physical Education

P.E. will be taught on a Monday for 5TS and a Tuesday for 5SA. As the weather becomes warmer, our lessons will mainly take place outdoors and will focus on football skills, including dribbling, passing and shooting. Children can wear a PE kit for the duration of the day when they have a PE lesson.

Mobile phones

Children are allowed to bring mobile phones into school. These must be handed into the child's class teacher every morning. They will be returned to the children at the end of the school day.

Value of the Month

This term, we will explore the value of **co-operation**. We explore our values in depth through assemblies, PSHE lessons and across the wider curriculum. We will also be exploring the theme of **trust**.

Sun safety

As we are approaching the summer months, the temperatures are beginning to increase. Please ensure your child is protected in the sun by bringing into school a cap or sun hat, a water bottle. If necessary, the children can apply protective sun lotion as well. Children will be unable to reapply protective sun lotion during the day.

Attendance

It is vital that children arrive at school on time. Classrooms are open from 8.50am to begin some early morning learning. Please ensure your child is in school by 9.00 am every day, ready for learning. Please note that if your child arrives after 9.05 am, they will have to be brought to the main office to sign in.

The children have worked extremely hard across all areas of the curriculum. In particular, the children should be very proud of the classroom displays we created last term related to our whole school project on the poet Joseph Coelho. These included poems in a range of styles as well as striking artwork using the sketching and shading techniques, we learned in our art lessons. We look forward to continuing the school's new curriculum this term, with foundation topics such as the British Empire, Sikhism and animals including humans. Thank you for a brilliant Spring term and we look forward to seeing what Summer has to offer!

Mr. Savage and Ms. Ashdown.