

Year 5 Newsletter

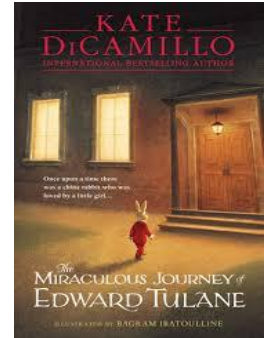
Summer term 1 - 2025-26

Welcome back. We hope you had a fantastic Easter break!



Books this term

This term, the children will be engaging with various books to support their learning in reading and writing. Our main text will be ***The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*** by **Kate DiCamillo**. This beautifully written story follows Edward, a porcelain rabbit who learns about love, loss, and empathy through a series of unexpected adventures. As he passes from one owner to another, Edward slowly transforms from a self-absorbed toy into a character full of heart. It's a touching tale that sparks thoughtful discussions about kindness and emotional growth.



Foundation topics

Our science topic this term is Living Things and Their Habitats. Children will learn about the life cycles of different plants, mammals, birds, insects and amphibians. In History, we will be learning about the British Empire. Our R.E. lessons will focus on Sikhism, and in PSHE we will be learning about living a balanced, healthy lifestyle. In DT, we will continue to explore electrical circuit design.

Physical Education



Our P.E. topics this term are dance and badminton. Our outdoor lessons will focus on learning to use badminton rackets and shuttlecocks correctly, as well as court positions and tactics. At the end of term, the children will engage in singles and pairs matches with their peers.

Our indoor lessons will focus on dance, inspired by the circus.

P.E. days back to:

5SA – Monday and Tuesday

5HL – Monday and Wednesday

5FB – Monday and Friday

Water Bottles and Uniform

As we move into the warmer months, we kindly ask for your support in helping us keep all children comfortable and safe throughout the school day. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day, clearly labeled with their name, so they can stay well hydrated, especially during warmer weather. We also ask that all jumpers are clearly labeled to help us return any misplaced items quickly and easily.

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 **school logo** jumper. Please remember earrings are **not permitted** at school. Children wearing earrings to school will be asked to remove them.

Home Learning

Your child will continue to receive weekly spellings and times tables challenges. 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 daily.

Earth Day – 22nd April 2026

Children can wear blue and green to celebrate the occasion.

Value of the Month

As April continues, we will explore the theme of kindness. We explore our values in depth through assemblies, PSHE lessons and across the wider curriculum.

The children had an extremely successful Spring 2 term. They worked very hard on their tests during assessment week, and we were particularly proud of the outstanding writing outcomes they produced. Thank you to all parents for your continued support.