

YEAR 5 SUMMER 1

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

As we approach the Easter holidays, it is wonderful to - once again - reflect on some of the incredible learning experiences your children have undertaken this half term. Highlights have included: dissecting flowers and setting up plant investigations in Science; top-quality biography writing in English (a BIG thank you for all your research efforts in home learning!); World Book Day celebrations; an Easter church service; egg decorating and collaborative problem solving in Maths. Busy busy!



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Next half term, our learning in Year 5 will be connected by the following key word and question: 'Meander-Why do we need rivers?'

In Geography, we will learn where rivers start, their key features and their role/link in the water cycle. This will involve the children making Geographical models of rivers so look out for requests for boxes and other items needed for this in the near future. We will also consider how the processes of erosion and deposition contribute to the formation of these features.

Our Key class text - which we will use to explicitly practise different reading skills- will be 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. This adventure-packed book is set close to one of the most iconic real-life meander examples - the Amazon River in South America.

In Maths, we will focus on reading, writing and using decimals numbers and percentages. This will extend to applying these skills in money and measurement contexts.

DATES AND NOTES

It is not long now until our residential trip to Derbyshire (Monday 8th May - Thursday 11th May). Please do look out for any communication regarding this in the coming weeks and ensure key documents, for example, medical forms are returned. I have been in contact with the hostel this week to finalise our itinerary which I will send out to you as soon as it has been returned.

PE will now be on a Wednesday only after the Easter break but, as was the case last half term, the children will need their trainers in school every day for the 'Daily Run'.



