

Class BR Newsletter

Summer is on its way!

Dear Parents and Carers

Hello again everyone! Summer term has arrived and we're looking forward to picking up again where we left off before the holidays. As you will see, there's lots going on between now and July. This newsletter covers the main things happening in BR and recaps

Coming up this term!

We've got lots going on in Y5 this term! In English, we'll look at non-fiction texts linked to Famous Explorers and develop our discussion writing skills. In Maths, we'll review calculation methods, link fractions to percentages, convert units of measurement and look at statistics, position and direction and time.

We'll also start a new Geography topic looking at Biomes and in particular, rainforests around the world.

After half term, we'll learn about the Ancient Maya of Mesoamerica (and what eventually happened to them and the civilisation they built).

In Science, we'll complete our study of Life Cycles and Changes in Animals (including Humans). In Computing, we'll be creating digital art as well as our own blog pages. In Art, we'll study the masks of the Ancient Maya and create masks of our own inspired by their designs. We'll also consider mental health and wellbeing as we complete the final part of the MELVA quest!

Our Featured Author this term is Katherine Rundell and we'll be reading her book *The Explorer* as part of

Summer term 2026

Weekly Timetable

Monday

Homework in
Assembly

Tuesday

PE

Wednesday

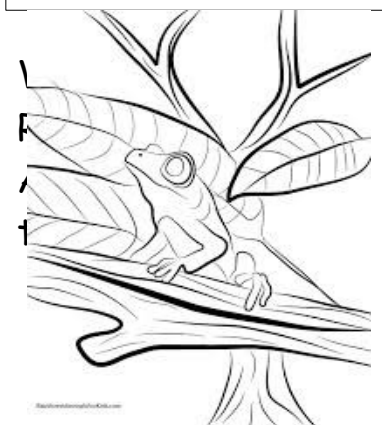
Homework out

Thursday

PE

Friday

Assembly



BR teaching team this term

The teaching team in Y5 continues this term with Mr Cradock and Ms Hackney. On Tuesday afternoons, Ms Davies will teach Spanish. On Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, sports coaches will lead PE sessions.

Important dates for your diary

May Day

4th May

Forest School sessions

15th and 22nd May

Bikeability

Week beginning 18th May

Half term

25th – 29th May

Class photos

11th June

Spanish school visit

17th June

End of term

17th July

More information to follow!

PE

PE this term will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Coaches will lead PE sessions this term. These will usually be outdoors - depending on the weather! Children should come to school on PE days dressed in their sports clothes (including outdoor trainers please). If your child cannot take part in PE, please let us know the reasons why. Look out for Forest School sessions also happening this term. More news to follow on the weekly Need to Know letter!

Homework

Thank you for all your support with homework. We will send out weekly tasks on Wednesdays to be completed and returned by the following Monday. Please look out for these and encourage your child to organise time at home to complete the activities.

The tasks will link to, and support, our current learning in Maths and English and will include weekly reading too. Please continue to help your child build good habits as a learner. This includes getting into the routine of returning homework on time so that we can then go through it in class altogether.

And finally

As we move into the final term of this school year, we look forward very much to continuing to work with you all. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to catch us in the yard, phone school, or make an appointment.

Best wishes, Kevin Cradock