



Welcome to Year 5!

Miss Keating (& Mrs Hill & Mrs Robinson)

Year 5 Topics

Our topics for this year are as follows:

Autumn 1: Could you walk in Neil Armstrong's footsteps?

Autumn 2: Why should the rainforest be important to us all?

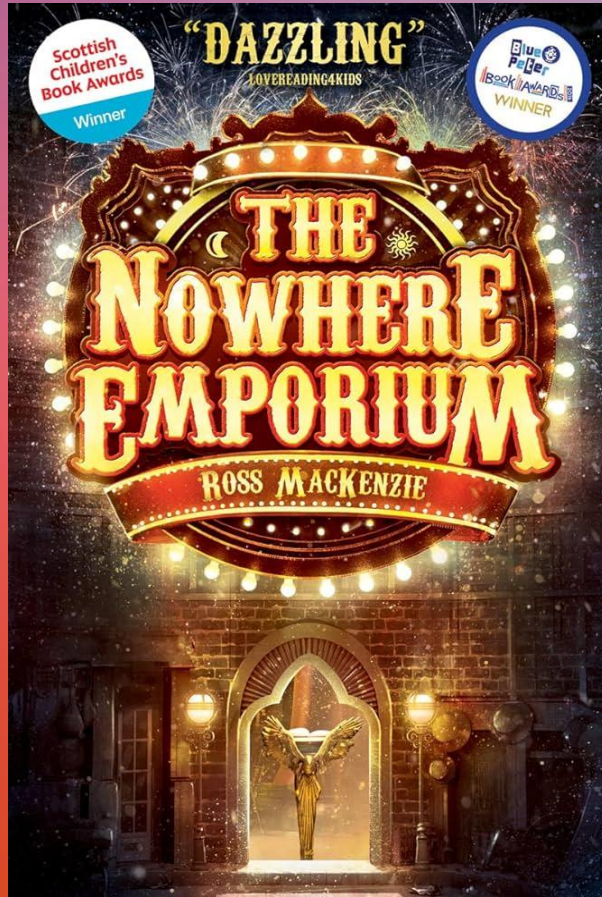
Spring 1: Could you be a forensic scientist?

Spring 2: Can you walk like an Egyptian?

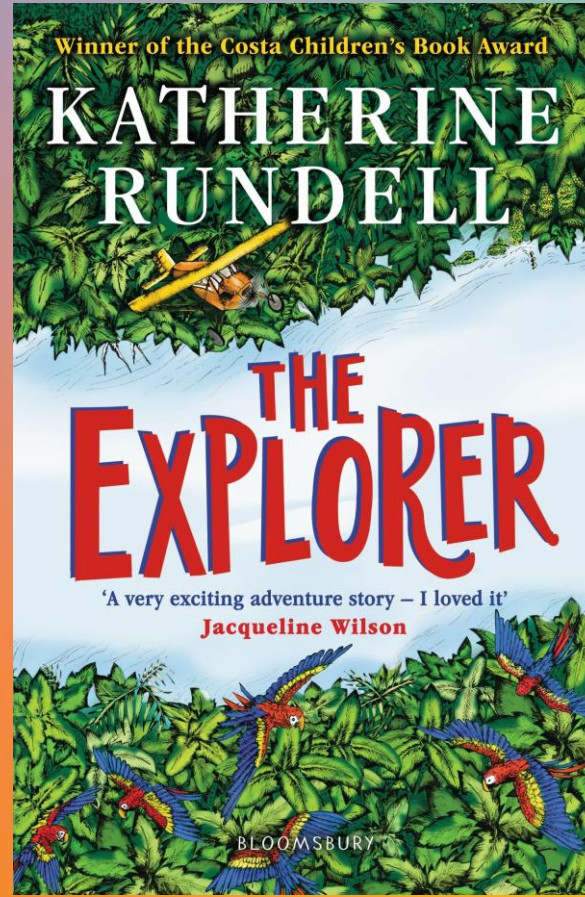
Summer 1: Do all animals and plants start life as eggs?

Summer 2: Who were the Mayans and what did we learn from them?

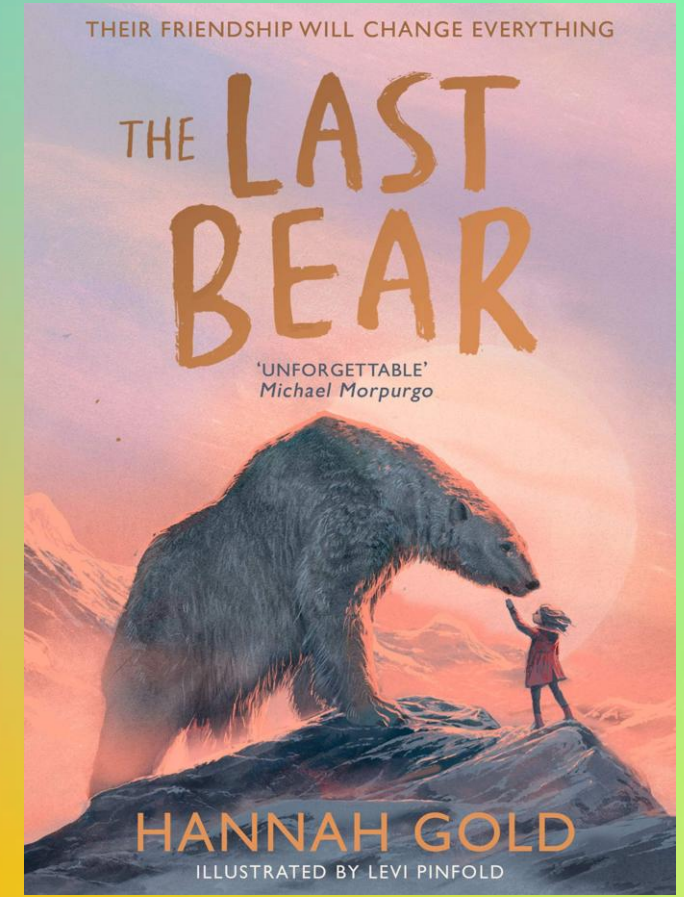
English Novels



The Nowhere Emporium
Ross MacKenzie



The Explorer
Katherine Rundell



The Last Bear
Hannah Gold

Maths

Autumn term	Number Place value FREE TRIAL VIEW	Number Addition and subtraction VIEW	Number Multiplication and division A VIEW	Number Fractions A VIEW	
	Number Multiplication and division B VIEW	Number Fractions B VIEW	Number Decimals and percentages VIEW	Measurement Perimeter and area VIEW	Statistics VIEW
	Geometry Shape VIEW	Geometry Position and direction VIEW	Number Decimals VIEW	Number Negative numbers VIEW	Measurement Converting units VIEW
					Measurement Volume VIEW

Times tables

In Year 5, children will continue to build on their times tables knowledge from the test they completed in Year 4.

Children will be expected to know their 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 multiplication and division facts, and will be using them for long multiplication (for example 3805×27) and short division ($389 \div 8$).

We will still be doing TTRS in school and I would encourage them to continue practising at home, too.

PE

In Year 5, children have swimming lessons on Monday afternoons during the Autumn and Spring term (up until the Easter holidays). Please help children to remember their kits on these days to prevent any panic!

Unfortunately, due to timetabling, these will be our only PE lessons in the Autumn and Spring term. However, in the Summer, children will begin 'in-school' PE lessons with Miss Keating as swimming lessons will have finished. These will be on a Monday and Friday.

Children will need to have their kit in for these days; preferably a t-shirt, shorts, tracksuit bottoms, a jumper and pumps/ trainers.

Bags

Although we have quite a big classroom, our cloakroom pegs are quite cramped, and we don't have much space for fitting things on them. Please can children only bring in **small, compact drawstring bags**, as larger bags don't fit on the pegs very well.

If your son/ daughter needs a larger bag because they are going somewhere after school, they can keep it at the front of the classroom for the day.



Home reading

Reading bags will need to be brought into school every Friday. They will be changed and sent home the same day.

Children are expected to read for (at least) 30 minutes per week.

In Year 5, children will be expected to write in their reading diary themselves, rather than an adult writing for them. This should be a short piece of information about what they have read, each time they read. An example has been stuck in the front of your son/ daughter's reading diary.

Homework

Alongside home reading, we will be sending home 10 spellings every Friday, as well as setting times tables on TTRS.

The spellings should be completed on the sheet given and brought into school, completed, by the following **Wednesday**. We will then have an informal spelling check on the Friday.

Please encourage your children to practice their spellings; we will have a lesson in school on the spelling pattern, but it is beneficial for children to be learning them at home too.

On the Wednesday spellings are due in, I will also be checking who has spent some time on TTRS to award smilies.

E-Safety

In school, we monitor what children are doing/ accessing through the school's network. We also frequently cover e-safety topics, so they know the importance of staying safe online.

As children are getting older and are being given more independence, please make sure are monitoring your son/ daughter's usage when at home (on phones, laptops, tablets etc). This includes encouraging healthy practises to look after their wellbeing, for example not going on their devices at bedtime and ensuring apps are age appropriate.

Help us run our

SCHOOL STREET



Can you spare half an hour to help?

- You'll be helping keep our children safe
- You'll get **training**,
- There's **free childcare** at Littlestones if you're dropping off / picking up
- It's a great way to **get to know** the school and other parents too!



If we don't get more volunteers, we won't be able to keep it running.
Please speak to the school office or let your child's teacher know if you can help out. Thank you!

School Street

We will be continuing with the school street initiative this year to prevent congestion and make the bottom of the avenue safer for children.

This means the bottom of Old Brow will still be closed to vehicles during drop off and pick up times.

We are always looking for volunteers to help keep the initiative running, so if you, a grandparent, or someone you know could spare 30 minutes a week, it would be greatly appreciated!

WOW- Walk to School

We will also be continuing with the WOW Walk to School Challenge.

Every morning, children will register how they got to school- whether they walked, came by car etc.

There is a 'park and stride' option for children to register with. Just a reminder, this is if they have walked from either the market ground or train station, or a similar distance- not any closer.

