



Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 1 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting new school year.

As you already know, my name is **Miss Barber** and I feel incredibly lucky and grateful to have the opportunity to teach the children for another year. It was such a privilege to watch them grow and flourish last year, and I cannot wait to see how much more they achieve in Year 5.

This year, I will be joined by **Mr Daly, Ms Cummings and Mr Wilson**, and together we are really looking forward to supporting the children throughout the year.

Reading will continue to be an important priority for us this year. **Consistent reading at home makes such a difference to children's learning, confidence and progress**, so please continue to support and encourage your child to read regularly.

Please ensure that **reading books and reading records are brought into school every day and that reading records are signed.**

PE will take place on Wednesdays and Fridays. On these days, children should come to school wearing their PE kit. Please make sure that your child comes to school prepared with the **correct PE kit.**



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Key Dates

- International Literacy Day – 8th September
- Roald Dahl Day – Friday 11th September – dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl character
- Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 18th September – wear your jeans for a £1 donation to the Cystic Fibrosis Charity
- World Space Week – Monday 21st September
- Online author event – Create a magic creature inspired by the Japanese folklore with William Yamaguchi – Wednesday 23rd September
- Book Fair arrives in school – Monday 28th September – for one week
- National Poetry Day – Thursday 1st October
- National Coding Week – Monday 19th October

Class Timetable

Year 5 timetable (Autumn 1 2026/27)



	08:45 - 08:55	08:55 09:10	09:10 09:25	09:25 09:55	09:55 10:50	10:50 11:05	11:05 11:15	11:15 12:30	12:30 - 13:15	13:15 13:30	13:30 - 14:10	14:10 14:20	14:20 - 14:55	15:05 - 15:15	
M o n	TTRS / Registration	Reading plus	Spellings	Shared reading	GPS + Literacy	BREAK	TTRS	Maths	LUNCH	Handwriting	Week 1 – PSHCE Week 2+3 – Music Week 4+5 – Science Week 6 – Computing Week 7+8 – Art	BREAK	Spanish	Singing assembly Y2&5 14:50	Whole Class Novel
T u e		Reading plus	Spellings	Shared reading	GPS + Literacy		TTRS	Maths		Handwriting	Week 1 – PSHCE Week 2+3 – Music Week 4+5 – Science Week 6 – Computing Week 7+8 – Art		Themed assembly 13:55-14:10	Week 1 – PSHCE Week 2+3 – Music Week 4+5 – Science Week 6 – Computing Week 7+8 – Art	
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T h u		Reading plus	Spellings	Shared reading	GPS + Literacy		TTRS	Maths (MD cover 11:30)		Handwriting	Geography (MD cover)			Geography (MD cover)	
F r i		Spellings / Handwriting	GPS + Literacy		SRDF PE 9:50-10:40		Library 11:05-11:30	Maths arithmetic		Celebration assembly 13:20	Week 1 – PSHCE Week 2+3 – Music Week 4+5 – Science Week 6 – Computing Week 7+8 – Art			Week 1 – PSHCE Week 2+3 – Music Week 4+5 – Science Week 6 – Computing Week 7+8 – Art	

Curriculum Overview



Maths

Unit 1: Place value
within 1,000,000

Unit 2: Place value
within 1,000,000

Unit 3: Addition and
subtraction

Unit 4: Multiplication and
division (1)

Unit 5: Fractions (1)

Unit 6: Fractions (2)

English

Leon and the Place Between by
Grahame Baker-Smith

Setting description

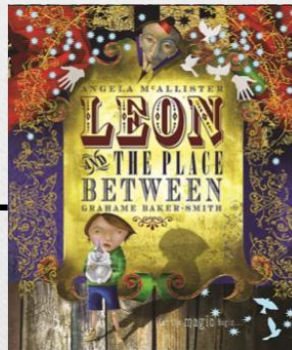
Character description

Dialogue

Information text

Narrative

Poetry



Science

Animals including humans

- Describe the changes as humans develop from birth to old age.
 - Describe the changes as humans/animals develop to old age.
- Describe the changes as humans develop to old age.

Geography

How do volcanoes affect
the lives of the Hiemaey?





PSHCE

Keeping/Staying safe

Being responsible

Feelings and emotions



Art



Typography and Maps



Music

Florence Price

Computing

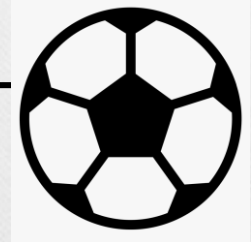
Quizzing



PE

- Football

- Salford Red Devils



PE kits **MUST** be worn to school on
Wednesdays and Fridays



Spanish

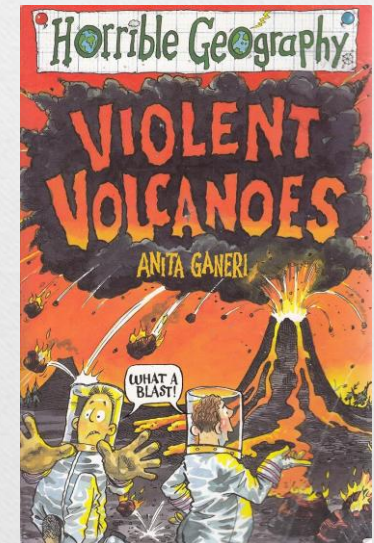
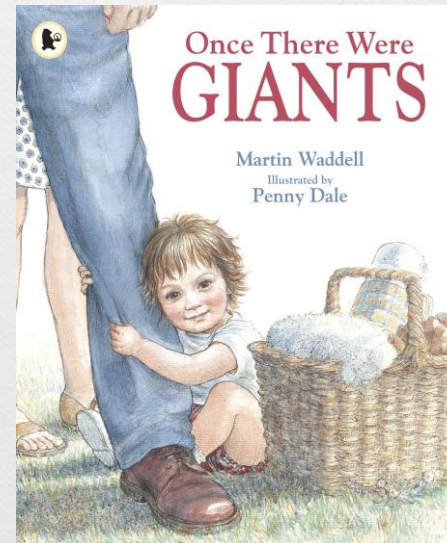
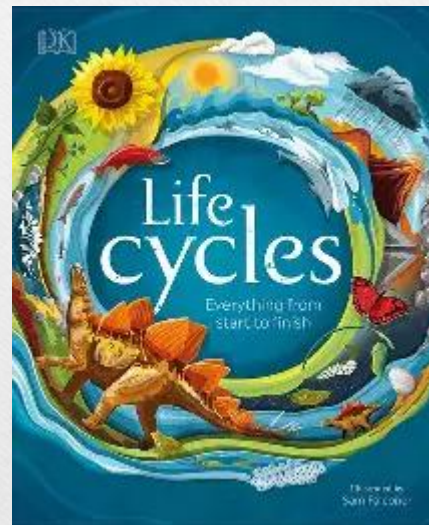
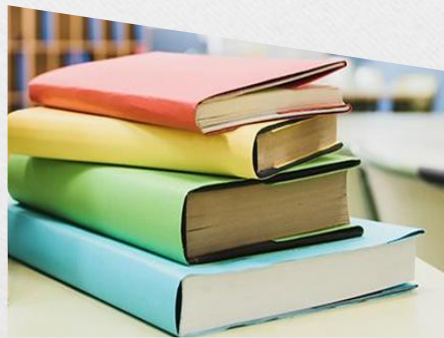
Year 4 recap – the verb 'tener',
adjectival position,
masculine/feminine animals

Reading

Children will continue to have independent reading books to take home and have access to the school library.

Reading books can be changed ANY day, as needed.

To further support independent reading for pleasure, take a look at the suggestions below that are linked to the topics and authors we are focusing on this half term:

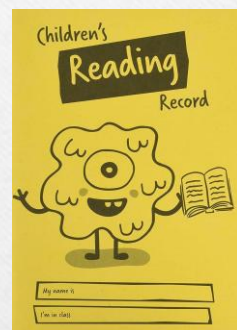


Home Learning

Maths homework:

A worksheet will be sent home on **Thursdays**.

Children also have access to **TTRS** and they are encouraged to go on and practise **everyday**.



English homework:

Daily reading – Reading records to be signed and returned to school daily.

Spellings – Please encourage your child to regularly practise the spellings attached to the end of this newsletter.

Reading plus – Children have access to this and are encouraged to go on it. Reading plus is a fabulous way to support your child's reading fluency and vocabulary.

Spellings

Year 5 and 6 Statutory Spellings

accommodate	category	determined	foreign	lightning	profession	sincerely
accompany	cemetery	develop	forty	marvellous	programme	soldier
according	committee	dictionary	frequently	mischievous	pronunciation	stomach
achieve	communicate	disastrous	government	muscle	queue	sufficient
aggressive	community	embarrass	guarantee	necessary	recognise	suggest
amateur	competition	environment	harass	neighbour	recommend	symbol
ancient	conscience	equip	hindrance	nuisance	relevant	system
apparent	conscious	equipped	identity	occupy	restaurant	temperature
appreciate	controversy	equipment	immediate	occur	rhyme	thorough
attached	convenience	especially	immediately	opportunity	rhythm	twelfth
available	correspond	exaggerate	individual	parliament	sacrifice	variety
average	criticise	excellent	interfere	persuade	secretary	vegetable
awkward	curiosity	existence	interrupt	physical	shoulder	vehicle
bargain	definite	explanation	language	prejudice	signature	yacht
bruise	desperate	familiar	leisure	privilege	sincere	