

# Summer 1 in Year 5



## English

This half term we will focus on *The Brilliant Deep* by Kate Messner. This beautifully illustrated non-fiction book tells the true story of Ken Nedimyer, who pioneered coral restoration to save the world's reefs. Through this inspiring text, children will explore themes of conservation, determination, and real-life heroes.

**We are reading...**



## Science

By the end of our unit, our goal is to write an information leaflet to persuade children to consider the effects of climate change on coral reefs. To prepare, we'll focus on using a variety of modal verbs, and brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis. We will also use a range of devices to build cohesion.

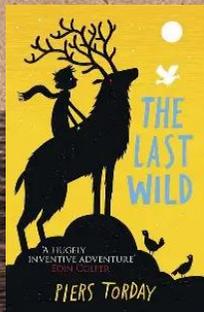
In Science, we will focus on living things and their habitats. Children will learn the life cycles of living things, including plants, animals, and humans. Children will also learn about the stages of development and explore how plants reproduce through both sexual and asexual reproduction.

## Maths

We will be following the White Rose Maths programme of study and start to learn about 2D and 3D shapes, their properties, and how to identify and classify them. Afterward, children will also explore position and direction, including using coordinates, translation, and symmetry to describe movement and location.

## Reading

For this half term, we will be reading *The Last Wild* by Piers Torday. This book follows a boy who suddenly discovers he can talk to animals in a world where most animals have died from a strange disease. The last surviving creatures ask him to help save them, so Kester sets off on a brave adventure to find the truth and protect them. The book explores themes such as looking after nature, being brave, trusting your friends, and standing up for what's right.



## Other information

- Swimming will take place every Wednesday afternoon and our usual PE lesson will take place on Thursday afternoon. Please ensure children are wearing/bringing the correct kit.
- Homework will be set every Friday and due in the following Wednesday.

