



Dates for your diary

- Wed 21st Feb - International Mother Language Day
- Monday 26th and Wednesday 28th February - Parents' Evening (4-7pm)
- Monday 4th March - 1:30-2:30pm - Urban Synergy E-Seminar Years 5 and 6
- Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
- 8th-17th March - Science Week (Theme - Time!)
- 11th-15th March - The Big Plastic Count
- Fri 15th March - Red Nose Day (wear red / donate a £1)
- Thursday 21st March - Maths at the Movies
- Fri 22nd March - Years 5 and 6 Haselbine's Careers Fair
- Thurs 28th March - Play Day / Last day of term

SUMMER TERM

- Tuesday 16th April - Children return to school

Routines

Outdoor PE - Wednesday

Indoor PE - Tuesday (5T) or Thursday (5E)

Home Learning

Maths: Set Friday - due Wednesday

English: Set every Friday - due Friday two weeks later (set every week)

Spelling: Learnt for one week in school, sent home Monday of week 2, test at end of week 2 (Friday)

Our Learning Journey

Geography - Tomorrow's World: Climate of Fear

This half-term, our learning journey is focused on Climate Change. This topic explores how global warming is affecting weather patterns around the world and we will evaluate its impact in different places, with a focus on geography.

Outdoor Learning

This year, we have our Forest School sessions at Peckham Rye. Please ensure that your child has suitable, weather appropriate clothing and footwear on the following date:

Thursday 14th March

Wednesday 27th March

On these dates, we will be looking for parent volunteers. Please email the Year 5 teachers if you are available.

PE Day

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit: white polo shirt; black/navy jogging bottoms, and trainers.

Please send children to school in their PE kit on their PE days.

English

Reading

Our whole class reading book this term will be 'Where the River Runs Gold' by Sita Brahmachari. It follows Shifa and her brother Themba who live in Kairos City, on a future Earth decimated by climate change.

We would, as always, encourage you to read with your child on a regular basis.

Class Novels: 5E - Impossible Creatures by Katherine Rundell.
5T - The Wizards of Once by Cressida Cowell.

Writing

Our current topic is a non-fiction unit focusing on writing biographies. By the end of the topic, the children will be able to write their own biographies, using a range of sentence structures. We will be focussing on complex sentences and writing for purpose. We look forward to sharing our biographies with the community.

Writing Journals

In Year 5, the children have been given Writing Journals to use over the coming term to boost 'writing for pleasure'. Inside the journal are lots of ideas and types of writing children could complete if they so wish. This writing is optional. Their writing home learning tasks should now be completed in these books.

Maths

Our maths learning this half term includes:

- Calculating with decimal fractions (including multiplying and dividing decimal fractions).
- Factors, multiples and prime numbers (including square and cube numbers; use of factors to calculate; prime numbers; common multiples and prime numbers).

Science

This term, the children will be learning about 'Types of change'. We will be continuing to explore materials and how they can change state, looking at reversible and irreversible changes.

Other Curriculum Areas

Art - <https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/teaching-learning/art/>

PSHE - <https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/teaching-learning/values-and-pshe/>

Computing - <https://www.fairlawn.lewisham.sch.uk/teaching-learning/computing-and-it/>