



Year 5 Summer Term 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

During the Summer term, we will be exploring Migration to London in the 20th Century in our Topic lessons. In Literacy, we will begin the term by looking at the poetry of Benjamin Zephaniah, as well as other notable poets, whilst thinking about what it means to be British and all the wonderful cultures present in this country today. We will then move on to *The Boy at the Back of the Classroom*, which tells the story of Ahmet, a boy who has come to England from Syria after escaping war.

During our art lessons, we will study *Kaleidoscope*, a recent photography exhibition at Somerset House, which explores identity and immigration in modern Britain. Over the term, in our RE lessons we will look at the question: 'Why is Muhammad important to Muslim people?' Following this, we will explore the idea of thankfulness.

Later in the Summer Term, in our Science lessons, we will study the human life cycle, which will lead in to our SRE lessons about how we grow and change as we age.

Supporting your child's learning

Provide opportunities for practical mathematics: making, cooking, designing. Allow them to handle money including checking change. Practise times tables and number facts, discuss patterns or tricks.

We will continue to promote a love of reading and still expect children to be reading at home for approximately **20 minutes per night**; this should be recorded in their reading records (they can record, or you can).

Physical Development & Outside Learning

It is vital that children have their school PE kit (including trainers) in school (in a draw-string bag) with them each week—we suggest that they bring it in on Monday and take it home on Friday as often PE lessons may be moved to accommodate other activities.

Our PE lessons will be on a **Monday** (Tennis) and **Wednesday** (Dance).

Trips and Visits

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 we are unable to currently organise school trips. If you have any suggestions or contacts who may be able deliver virtual workshops linked to any of our topics please get in touch with your child's teacher.

Reminders

- Please ensure that your child has a labelled water bottle in school.
- Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school all week.

Kind regards,

The Year 5 Team

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