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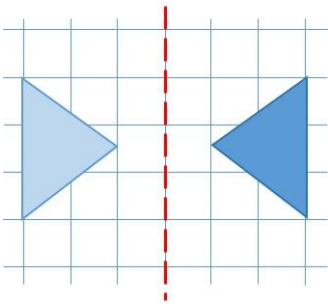
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Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Summer 1 2026

I hope you enjoyed the Easter break and were able to relax in some of the sunshine! We have another exciting and busy half-term which I have outlined below:



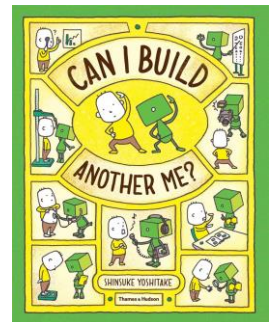
### Maths

Year 5 will begin this half-term by continuing their geometry learning before moving onto our position and movement topic. In this we will learn about coordinates and the reflection and translation of shapes. Your continued support with helping children to practise mental maths questions and learn their times tables facts is greatly appreciated.

### Literacy

'Can I Build Another Me?' will be inspiring our next writing journey, in which the children will be writing a balanced review about a robot they have purchased. We'll be learning how to use colons to introduce a list and commas to avoid ambiguity and ensuring we select appropriate vocabulary.

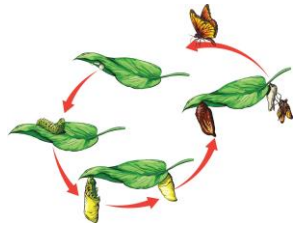
Please ensure your child is reading - or being read to - every evening as this will benefit all of their literacy skills.



Our class book in reading is 'The Gauntlet' by Karuna Riazi. We continue to spend 15 minutes reading this action-packed novel every day and our Monday and Friday guided reading lessons will focus on this class book. During the week, we also have time for free choice reading. Please ensure your child has something to read for free-choice reading (a book, a comic, instructions, etc).

## PSHE

In PSHE, our next Jigsaw module is named 'Relationships'. This focuses on self-esteem, mental health and being safe online.



## Science

As scientists, we will be learning how plants and animals reproduce. We will look at both sexual and asexual reproduction in plants and sexual reproduction in animals. Then, we will learn about the life cycles of different animals and describe their similarities and differences.

## Art

In Art, we will be examining artistic use of colour before experimenting with our own colour combinations. We will be learning how to use and mix watercolours to create subtle, delicate images in natural shades before using these skills to create landscape paintings in watercolour.



## PE

Our PE days this half-term will be **Wednesday and Friday**. On Wednesday, we will have Russell from Island Padel in school. Friday will be athletics and sports day practice. Please ensure children have the correct school PE kit, including a jumper for lessons outside, and appropriate trainers.

## RE

Our RE topic this half term focuses on Christianity and how Christians should live their lives, based on the saying 'what would Jesus do?'



## Residential

Our year 5 residential will take place on 21-22<sup>nd</sup> May. Final details to follow soon.

## Homework

Year 5 homework will continue to be handed out every Monday and should be returned on, or before, the following Monday. If your child loses their homework, it is their responsibility to get another from me. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Kind regards,

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