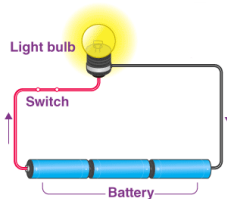
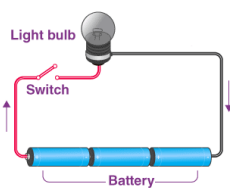
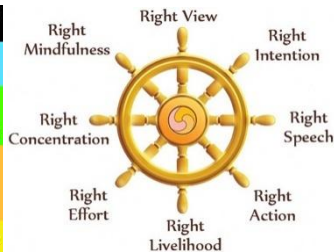


Year 5 Newsletter

Spring 1 2026

Welcome back!

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a safe and relaxing break and are feeling refreshed and ready for a new term. We have exciting topics ready for you to delve into!



Our Topics

This term in **Geography**, we will be delving into the physical features of South America with a focus on the Amazon Rainforest. This will build on the knowledge built during Autumn 1.

In **Science**, we will be setting up various experiments using materials, thinking about their suitability for different purposes and asking whether a change is reversible or not.

We will be exploring Buddhism in **RE**. In **DT**, we will focus on electrical systems and explore how to create a working circuit! **PSHE** this term will have a focus on online safety and in **French** children will be learning about school subjects.

English

In English this term, we are beginning to look at Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan. We will be writing a detailed character description, taking inspiration from Greek mythology. We will then be writing a news report based on the many different events that have taken place so far. Once the children write this up, they will be filming them and editing them.

Maths

This term, we will develop our multiplication and division knowledge. Using our times table facts, we will learn to multiply four-digit by two-digit numbers and will use concrete resources to help us visualise how the numbers change during the process. We will also progress through division to using the short formal written method. As always, please ensure your child is completing daily sessions on Times Table Rockstars, as this will support their understanding of larger number problems.

Home Learning

We recommend that children read with an adult every evening for about half an hour. Please encourage your child to apply their reading skills in everyday scenarios and ensure that your child brings their home learning journal to school every day. The children will also have spellings which they will need to practise daily for a quiz on Fridays.

Uniform and P.E. kit

Sweatshirts are available to purchase online, via our school website. Children should wear black or grey trousers or skirts. Please label all items of clothing with your child's name and support us by ensuring that your child does not wear jewelry, nail varnish or short skirts. For P.E, children should wear black shorts/tracksuit bottoms, blue t-shirts and trainers/plimsolls.

5KJ PE this term will be on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**.

5DG PE this term will also be on **Wednesday** and **Thursday**.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mr Jones Mr Gage