



# Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

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## Wishing all our pupils and families a Happy New Year!

This term we are focussing on further developing the skills and strategies we have learnt in the Autumn term.

### Our NICER challenge:

**How can we promote Fairtrade at FPA?**

#### Hook:

We shall be holding our own Fair Trade Focus Day in school on Monday 16th January

**Our NICER topic** will be heavily focussed on developing our Geography and DT skills but will also include ICT and Art skills. During the unit, the children will be learning about the different biomes and how they support plant and animal life. There will be a key focus on human and physical geography and map skills. This will then link to Fairtrade farming and the production and distribution of products.

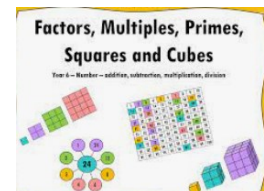
**In PSHE:** We will be focusing on keeping safe and discussing what is healthy and unhealthy.

**In RE:** We will be considering the following questions: In spring 1 – Can religions help people when times get hard? In Spring 2 - What do Christians believe Jesus did to save human beings?

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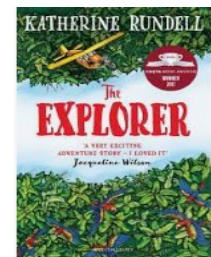
### Maths

This term we will be revising and applying the 4 operations in various contexts, estimating calculations using rounding and developing our knowledge of factors, multiples, prime numbers, square numbers, cube numbers and decimals and fractions. We will also convert units of measures.



### Reading

The class text for this half term is 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. We will be using this text to develop our vocabulary, inference, prediction, explaining, retrieving and summarising skills.



### English

We shall also use 'The Explorer' to support our writing this term. Pupils will have the opportunity to write for entertainment, to inform and to persuade. All of the children have been exposed to the Year 5 writing skills outlined in the National Curriculum. Within this term, the children will be reviewing and applying these skills in different genres and for different audiences.

### Science

Our Science topic for this term is Materials. This will include; describing properties, investigating good thermal insulators and understanding electrical conductors. All of the children will take part in scientific enquiries and have opportunities to be 'scientists'.



## Dates for your diary

Number Day - 3rd Feb

Children's Mental Health Week (6th -12th Feb)

Internet Safety Day (7th Feb)

World Book Day (2nd March)

Parent Consultations (22nd/23rd March)

### Extra Information

Make sure you are logged in to class charts and check this regularly. This is our main form of communication. Please speak the class teacher if you need log in details or guidance with this.

Remember to check Ttockstars for maths activities and battles.

Please encourage your child to complete their MyMaths and Lexia.

## PE and Swimming

5H- PE Weds

5R- PE Weds

5A- PE Thurs & Swimming Weds

### Homework

**NICER** - homework plates will be sent home this week. Completion deadline Mon 6th March.

**Spellings** - will be given out weekly and tested on the following Thursday.

**Reading** - please ensure your child is reading daily for at least 20 mins and completing record.