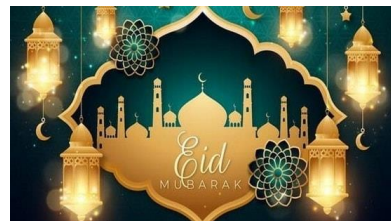


## Important dates and Celebrations:

Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Good Friday</b>	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Stephen Lawrence Day</b>	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>Last day of Passover</b>	Jewish
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Holy Saturday</b>	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>St. George's Day</b>	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>Shakespeare Day</b>	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Easter</b>	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Easter Monday</b>	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Yom HaShoah</b>	Jewish
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Laylatul Qadr (Night of Power)</b>	Muslim
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>Early May Bank Holiday</b>	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> May	<b>Eid ul Fitr (Tentative Date)</b>	Muslim
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Yom HaAtzmaut</b>	Jewish
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Lag B'Omer</b>	Jewish
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Ascension Day</b>	Christian
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Last day of Summer 1 term</b>	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Jubilee holiday for SJB – no school</b>	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Late May bank holiday</b>	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>Platinum Jubilee Bank holiday</b>	
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Pentecost</b>	Christian
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Shavuot</b>	Jewish
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Whit Monday</b>	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>INSET day – no school for pupils</b>	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Summer 2 term starts</b>	



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was a pleasure to welcome the children back for the start of their final term in Year 5. I have been really impressed with how settled they are as a class and their readiness to learn. They have grown in maturity over the year and never shy away from discussing challenging topics or exploring deeper mathematical thinking. I am particularly looking forward to reading Philip Pullman's Northern Lights with the children this term which is an outstanding book. As before, we kindly ask that the children continue to complete daily Reading Plus (to support their learning in class) for twenty minutes and TTRockstars and Doodle Maths alternatively for ten minutes.

Kind regards, Mr Lancaster

**Summer 1 2022**

## Maths

We will begin by looking at the use of decimals, and explore how these link to fractions and percentages. This links with work on place value and equivalence, and the relationships between tens, hundreds, thousands, and the decimal places. After this, we will look at money and solving word problems.

## Writing

We will begin by using the DK Space Atlas to create our own non-chronological reports on one of the features of space. Our focus will be parenthesis. We will then move on to writing a technical description of the Mercury Atlas 6 space mission, focusing on conjunctions. Finally, we will focus on writing an autobiography of Katherine Johnson using immersive language.

## Computing

We will use SketchUp CAD software to design our own 3D art galleries! This is sophisticated software which will really test the children but will be very rewarding to see what they can produce.

## Reading

During our reading sessions, we will focus on increasing our reading fluency and our ability to read with expression. We will use P.E.E. to answer questions (Making a **P**oint, **E**xplaining it and supporting our answers with **E**vidence). We will also look at making predictions and will learn to share our opinions in reviewing books that we have read. We will also visit Shoreditch Library every fortnight to encourage the children to read for pleasure.

## Science

We will explore Earth's position in space, looking at how it orbits the Sun, and how the other celestial bodies orbit. We will explore what causes day and night, and the seasons, and also the different features of the planets.

## Music

This half term Year 5 is taking a virtual trip to South America as they learn about the genres that make so many people want to get up and dance! They will be learning how to play samba rhythms on the drums.

# This half term in Year 5...

## History and Geography

Using the book 'Hidden Figures', we will look at the work of the amazing women that fought inequality in order to play a huge part in the moon landings. We will look at historical sources, and use these in order to examine changes over time, and to form our own opinions using evidence.

## Religious Education

We will continue to explore Sikhism, and look at the Gurus that shaped Sikhism. We will look at ceremonies, and the Sikh holy book, the Guru Granth Sahib. We will examine how equality is promoted in the religion and focus on the lives of Guru Angad and Guru Arjun Dev

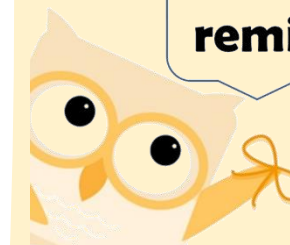
## We are reading:

Northern Lights by Phillip Pullman. Part of the *His Dark Materials* trilogy, it is an incredible and rich adventure story of Lyra and her daemon, exploring the wonders of the far North on a mission to save her friend.

## Art/DT

We will research Lunar buggies, discussing their function, and then create them using a variety of materials

Just a reminder...



Can you please check your child's clothes regularly to ensure they are labelled so they are easily identifiable.

Please ensure that your child is wearing their P.E. kit on **Thursday** and **Friday** for their lessons.

