



# Year 5 Newsletter

## Summer 1—2023/2024



### Notices and Reminders

PE –Wednesday

PE Kits should be in school all week

Ideally with a spare PE jumper and pair of socks.

#### Home Learning

Friday reading record books

Tuesday Spellings

Thursday Mathematics

### Key dates

**Monday 15th April** - Start of summer term

**Wednesday 1st May** - Class photos (tbc)

**Monday 6th May** - May Day Bank Holiday (school closed)

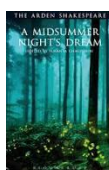
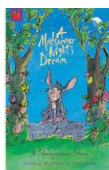
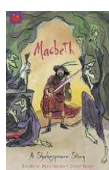
**Monday 13th - Friday 17th May** - Y6 SATS Week

**Saturday 18th May** - Y3-6 Cross Country event at Farnham Park (details to follow)

**Monday 27th - Friday 31st May** - Half Term

### Reading

In reading this term, the children will be studying two plays by William Shakespeare – Macbeth and A Midsummer Night's Dream. We will begin by exploring abridged versions of the stories and then contrast these with the original plays. We will study the language of Shakespeare and learn to understand his writing style.



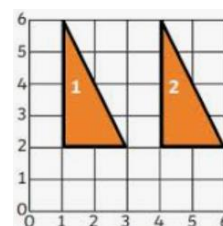
### Writing

In Summer 1, the children will be developing their story writing skills and will be creating their own portal stories using Talk 4 Writing. They will then be creating their own newspaper reports using the core texts as a model to create writing that is the best that it can be!



### Maths

In Summer 1, the children will develop their understanding of position and direction by translating and reflecting shapes. They will then return to adding and subtracting decimal numbers, as well as multiplying and dividing decimals by 10, 100 and 1000. Finally, the term will end with a unit on negative numbers.



## Science

In science this half term, the children will be learning about forces. They will gain a deeper understanding of gravity before moving on to learn about friction. When learning about air and water resistance, the children will conduct a fair test to see

whether the size of a parachute affects the speed in which it falls.



## Geography

In geography this half term, the children will be making comparisons between London, Sao Paulo and their own locality.

They will be learning about the physical and human geography of London, including rivers, transportation and Language. In addition, there will be a focus on how the population of London has changed.



## DT

In DT this half term, the children will be designing and making their own stable bridge. They will identify stable shapes to use within their structure, accurately cut and piece together their bridge and test their bridges to see how strong and stable they are.



## PE

This half term the children will be working to improve their cricket skills. They will learn different fielding and batting techniques and will have the opportunity to use these in competitive games.



## Computing

This half term in computing, the children will be looking at various data bases. They will look at the features of data bases and the different types we have, collect their own data and input this into a database, choosing the correct method to do so.



## PSHE

In PSHE this half term, the children will be learning how drugs common to everyday life can affect health. They will be discussing the risks and effects of smoking cigarettes and drinking alcohol. The children will draw upon their knowledge of peer pressure and their understanding of medicine.



## French

In French this half term, the children will be learning a range of words associated with food, snacks and drinks.

The children will also be learning about French currency through role-play at the salon de thé (tea shop).



## Homework or Suggested books for reading

