

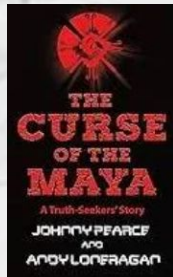
Spring 2026 Year 5 Bulletin

Welcome

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all! We hope you had a restful break.

We are very much looking forward to the Spring term and all the wonderful topics we have planned!

Our class book this term is *The Curse of the Maya* by Johnny Pearce and Andy Loneragan.



English

Our English will link to our class novel *The Curse of the Maya* and we will explore a range of writing genres:

- Adventure Narrative
- Explanation Text

Maths

This term we will study:

- Fractions
- Written multiplication and division
- Maths fluency

There will be a strong focus on problem solving and reasoning, as well as regular arithmetic practice.

Reading

We will be focusing on developing our VIPERS skills through our class text: Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Summarising.



Science

Earth and Space

This term, children will explore *Earth and Space*, learning about the movement of the Earth, Moon and planets, and how this affects day and night and the seasons. Alongside this, they will develop their *scientific enquiry* skills by planning investigations, making predictions, recording results and explaining their findings using scientific language.

History

The Maya

In history, pupils will study *The Maya*, discovering who they were, where they lived and why their civilisation was so advanced, as well as exploring their achievements, beliefs and daily life. As well as analysing theories about what happened to them!

Art

Sculpture

In art, children will work with clay to create sculptural pieces, learning how to attach a handle securely using slip and developing their understanding of form, texture and technique.

Computing

In computing, pupils will design and program an *electric car* model and create *stop-motion animations*, building their skills in coding, problem-solving, sequencing and digital creativity.

French

La Date

Days of the week, months of the year and numbers 1-31 will be introduced, revised and consolidated so, by the end of this unit, pupils will have the knowledge and skills to say the date and when their birthday is in French.

PE

Gymnastics: The children will be focussed on developing their acrobatics and balance by looking at handstands, cartwheels and vault.

Football: Always popular! The children will develop ball control, accuracy and teamwork.

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Homework

English and Maths homework will be set every Monday and due the following Monday.

Children are expected to read at least 4 times per week at home and record this in their reading diary.

Regular times tables and spelling practice is also encouraged.

Reminders

- Please bring a water bottle every day.
- PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Communication and updates will be shared via Class Dojo.

Trips

Non booked as yet.

Key dates

Monday 26th January: NSPCC workshop

Friday 13th February: 'Love Yourself' non uniform day.

Friday March 5th: World Book Day

Tuesday March 17th and Thursday 19th

March: Parents' Evenings

Monday 23rd March- Wednesday 25th

March: Bikeability (details to follow)