



Y5 Classroom News!

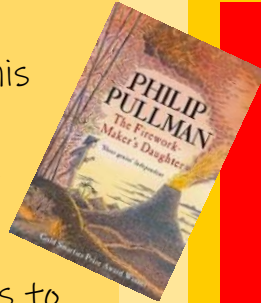


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Book Talk

Our Year 5 class text for this half term is the **Firework Maker's Daughter** by Phillip Pullman.



A young girl called Lila wants to become a firework-maker, like her father Lalchand. Despite her talents, Lalchand believes this is an unsuitable job for girls. Lila disagrees, and so journeys to get Royal Sulphur from Razvani the fire-fiend at Mount Merapi as all aspiring firework-makers must.

Will she make the perilous journey? Let's find out!

Our Geography topic this term is- **Asia: Mountains, Volcanoes and Earthquakes**

During this term, children will learn:

- How are volcanoes formed?
- What happens when a volcano erupts?
- What is an earthquake?
- What happens when an earthquake strikes?
- What are the secondary consequences of a volcanic eruption or an earthquake?

Take a look at the Year 5 class page throughout the term to see the wonderful work the children will be doing.



Home Reading

Children are encouraged to read at home every day to support their fluency, intonation and understanding of a variety of texts and genres. This not only supports the children with their reading, but also in the wider curriculum.

I would like to thank you in advance for your participation and encouragement.



Literacy

During this half term, we will be learning how to write a mystery narrative and poetry. We can't wait to share our amazing writing with you.

We will also be doing creative writes on a horror narrative and a piece linked to World Book Day!

Maths

In maths, this half term, we will be learning about angles, fractions and percentages, and transformation.

Remember to rise to the challenge on TTRockstars in the Battle of the Classes.





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Author Spotlight

Cathy Cassidy

This half term, our 'Author Spotlight' has landed on Cathy Cassidy.

Cathy is a bestselling, British children's author, who writes stories about friendship, family and growing up.

One of her popular set of books, includes The Chocolate Box Girls, written with strong, inspiring characters.

Have you read any of her books? Who would you recommend them to?



Attendance

At the end of each week, the class with the highest attendance will win the attendance trophy and each child with 100% attendance has the chance to win a raffle prize!

Let's aim for 100% attendance!

Important Reminders

Sports sessions

Sport sessions are every Thursday and Friday

Please remember to bring the correct PE kit – white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers. Tracksuits can be worn when the weather is cold!

Please remember that all jewellery must be removed for PE including earrings.



RE



In RE, we will be starting our new topic- Desert to Garden.

The children will be learning about the importance of Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. They will learn how Lent is a time for reflection and how, by listening to God through their conscience and living by the Ten Commandments, they can turn their hearts towards God in Heaven.

Please take a look at our class page to see the children's learning.

A Prayer for the Spring Term

Dear God,

We open the doors wide in our school and invite you in.

Please be in our lessons and help us to concentrate and learn.

Fill us with happiness as we discover more about the world.

Help us share, care for and love one another.

Please come and be part of everything we do.

Amen

