



Year 5 Class Newsletter

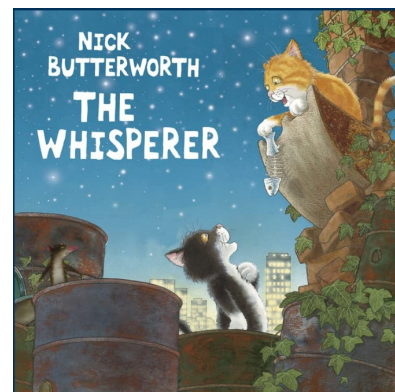
Summer Term 2: Mon 1 June - Fri 17 July



Dear Parents and Carers,

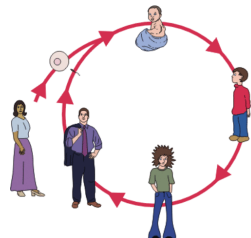
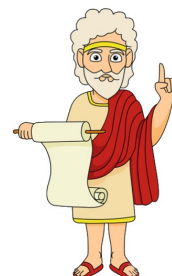
Welcome back to the final half term. I hope you all had a lovely break and are looking forward to a busy and fun-packed final half term of Year 5!

In **English** we will be using the text 'The Whisperer'. This text has a similar plot to 'Romeo and Juliet' and we will be using these two texts as a stimulus for our playscript writing. There will be lots of drama being used to support our writing in this unit and the children are already looking forward to their final writing being performed to the class. We will also hopefully have the opportunity for some more 'free choice' writing this half term as I was blown away with their creative writing when we did this last half term! We've selected some additional high quality books that link to our English units and help stretch and inspire our writers, especially those working at Greater Depth. Parents who wish to support reading at home may find the following titles particularly beneficial: *Skellig* by David Almond; *A Monster Calls* by Patrick Ness; and *Clockwork* by Phillip Pullman.



In **Maths** we are completing three short units to wrap up our learning before the end of the year. These short units are: negative numbers, converting units and volume. We will also be regularly practising calculation methods too to ensure learning is consolidated and secure before Year 6.

Our **History** topic 'How did the ancient Greeks impact life today?' will conclude with us looking more closely at the legacy and impact this important era had on life today. We will complete the unit by performing presentations in role as ancient Greeks, explaining why they were so important and how their presence can still be seen today.



This half term in **Science**, we will be completing our unit on materials and learning about the life cycle of a human being. We will learn about the changes experienced during puberty and why these occur. The final investigation will be about the changes to the body as humans get older, as well as comparing the life expectancy of different animals.

In **RE** we will be looking back to our Autumn unit where we studied Islam in 'What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?'. We will be able to conduct some self-led investigation into areas of personal interest to further develop our understanding of this faith and faith in general.

Usual weekly reminders:

- Monday: swimming
- Tuesday: Maths and English homework due
- Thursday: PE
- Friday: Brass lesson (instruments in please)

Any problems or concerns please do not hesitate to let me know. I am very much looking forward to a fun and action-packed end to a very busy year!

Miss L Thompson