

# Curriculum Letter – Year 5

## Summer 2026



Welcome to our final term of Year 5! We can't believe how quickly the year has gone! Our theme for this term is 'The Homefront.' We start by exploring the lives and childhoods of evacuees during World War 2 through our work in History, Music, D.T, Art and our study of the novel Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian in English and Guided Reading. During the second half of the term, we will be conducting a geographical study into sustainability in our local area and undertaking fieldwork in the surrounding areas.

Connector – 'The Homefront'	Skills
English	The Final Year Goodnight Mister Tom Stories from other cultures Debate and Persuasive magazines Reports
Mathematics	Shape Position and Direction Decimals Converting Units Negative numbers Volume
Science	Living Things and their Habitats Animals including Humans
Computing	E-Safety – Copyright and ownership and Online Relationships Computing - Programming and repeating sequences and Numbers.
History	WW2 – Why were children evacuated during World War 2?
Geography	Local Study - How could our locality be more sustainable? Fieldwork – Where do I live?
RE	Christianity - How do people decide what to believe? Hindu Dharma What might Hindus learn from stories about Krishna?
PE/Games	Striking and Fielding - Rounders Rugby Orienteering
Art Design & Technology	Architectural Drawings – Anselm Kiefer Rationing recipes – Nigel Howarth

## Homework

Year 5 children should be reading for at least 15 minutes each night, times table practice, learning their weekly spellings and completing one piece of maths homework per week. Spellings will be sent home on a Friday, to be quizzed the following Friday and reading will be checked daily. Maths homework will be one page per week in a Year 5 CGP revision book or other worksheets related to our current or upcoming unit in Maths. This will also be set on a Friday to be returned the next Friday. For the last term, we have also introduced comprehension homework. This can be completed in place of a one of the 3 expected reading sessions in a week. The children are required to read the extract and the answer the questions attached.

Children are expected to change their own books and record the title of their book on Boom Reader. They also need to record their new book with the Teaching Assistant to ensure they read a variety of books within the stage they are on. Children who read at least 3x a week will be entered into our class reading raffle and given the opportunity to visit Ebb and Flo once per half term.

## PE/Games Timetable:

P.E will be on a Monday and Thursday for the remainder of the year.

Please ensure your child has full PE kit in school at all times, this consists of a hoody with the school's logo, team t-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms and plain black trainers.

## Class Assembly:

Our class assembly for this year will be on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June. This is a chance for children to share all their hard work and knowledge with yourselves.

## Trips and Visitors:

In the upcoming term both classes will be attending a World War 2 visit to the Museum of Lancashire. These visits will be on 29<sup>th</sup> April and 30<sup>th</sup> April.

In Guided Reading and English over the last term, the children across both classes have really enjoyed reading 'The Final Year' and 'The First Year' by author Matt Goodfellow. On 6<sup>th</sup> May, Matt will be coming into school to deliver both an assembly and workshops for children across Year 5. He will also be promoting his new novel 'Six Weeks' and signing copies of these for the children. Children will be able to purchase these through Ebb and Flo prior to Matt's visit.

Thank you again for all your support.

Mrs Horne and Mr Phillips