



YEAR 5 SPRING NEWSLETTER 2026



Welcome Back and Happy New Year!

I hope that you have all had a joyful holiday period, with some opportunity for rest. As we move into the Spring term, we welcome Miss Walker to our classroom. Miss Walker is a student teacher and I will be supporting and guiding her until Easter. She is extremely welcome to our classroom and will be team teaching, group teaching and building up to some whole class teaching. My PPA sessions will now be taught by Mr Johns; this half term he will be leading History and Computing. I look forward to continuing to support the children with their learning and will see you at our parents' evening appointments in March.

Staff

Mrs Todd - Class Teacher
Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri

Miss Smith - Class Teacher
Thursday

Mr Johns - PPA
Tuesday am

Mrs Lock - Teaching Assistant
Mon - Fri (am)

Homework

Mathletics will continue to be set on a **Monday** and due on a **Sunday**.

Spellings will be given at the beginning of the half term and linked to Non nonsense spelling.

HOMEWORK

READING

Children should be reading three times a week, at least. It is important that a range of genres are being read. Please sign diaries to show that reading is being completed. Between, Mrs Ritchings, Mrs Bretherton, Mrs Lock and myself, we ensure every child is read with at least once a week.

PE Days

WEDNESDAY and
THURSDAY

Year 5



Maths
Fractions

Multiplication and
Division

Decimals and
Percentages

Statistics (Miss Smith)



Spellings

Possessive apostrophes

Word endings 'ably'
and 'ibly'

Homophones

Building words from root
words

ei and ie words

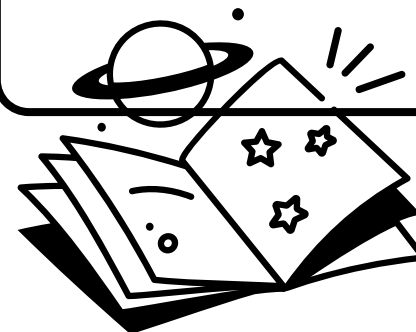
English

Poems with figurative
language

Science Fiction Stories

Narrative Poetry

Information Booklets



LEARNING

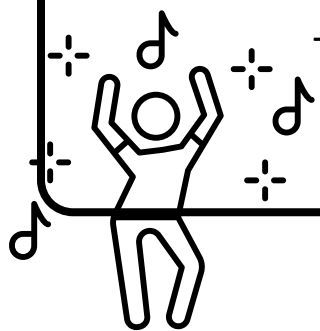
PE

Dance

Tennis

Gym

Tennis



HISTORY

A study of an early Islamic civilization

Children will know:

- How Islam started and developed.
- How big the Early Islamic Empire was.
- Where the 'round city of Baghdad' was.
- What natural feature was key to Baghdad's success.
- What the significance of Baghdad was as a centre of imports and exports.
- What the significance was of Baghdad as a centre of learning and scholarship.



MUSIC

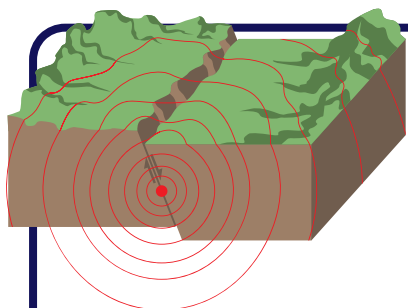
Let's Go Sing

Concert

Preparation - we
will be joined by

Rose or a member
of her team



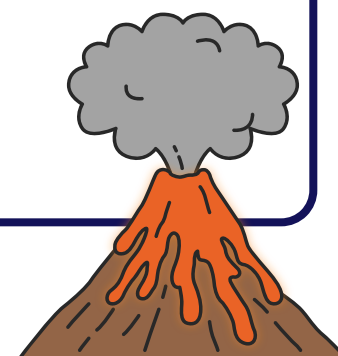


GEOGRAPHY

Volcanoes and Earthquakes

Children will know...

- the names and locations of the world's volcanoes and areas at risk from earthquakes
 - the main features and causes of volcanoes and earthquakes
- how people can respond to a natural disaster, such as an earthquake



LEARNING

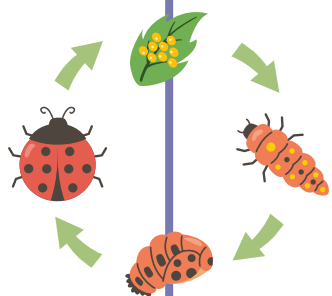


SCIENCE

Properties of
Materials

Animals (including
humans)

Life Cycles



RE

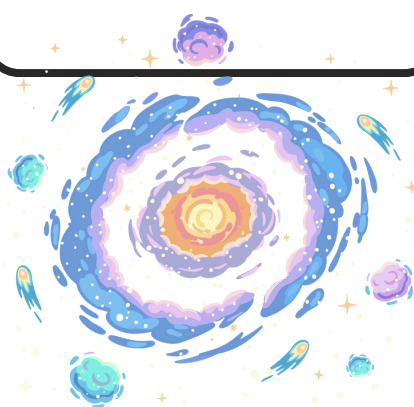
Jesus

Easter



ART

Drawing: I need
Space



PSHE

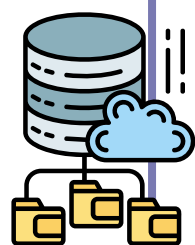
Keeping Safe

Rights and
Responsibilities



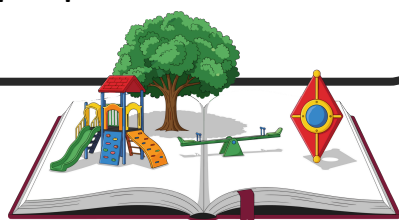
Computing

Databases
Concept Maps



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Making a
Pop Up Book



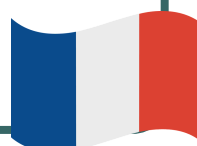
FRENCH

Saying what I and others
do

Christmas, new year

la fete de Rois (epiphany)

Canada



SOCIAL MEDIA



'grimsarghstmichaels'
on Instagram

'Grimsargh StMichael's C of E
Primary School' on Facebook.

Let's Go Sing

As you will already know, we have been working alongside many schools and staff to learn 8 songs for our concert with 'Let's Go Sing'. After a number of issues, the concert will now be on Thursday 19th March at **Blackburn Ice Arena**.

The concert tickets, for parents to buy, go on sale on **12th January**. We are in zone 3: orange. Facing blocks 8-14. I will communicate this via email asap.

More information can be found at: <https://www.whoopsadaisymusic.co.uk/letsgosinghomepage>

Diary Dates

January

5th - Welcome Back!

19th - Extra - curricular clubs start

February

9th - Children's Mental Health Week

10th - Safer Internet Day

13th - HALF TERM

26th - First Aid Training

March

3rd/4th - Parent/Carer Evening

5th - World Book Day

9th - Science Week

13th - Last day for clubs

March cont.

18th - Year 5 trip to Liverpool

19th - Let's Go Sing Concert - Ice Arena

27th - School Closes

These are a few dates, there will be far more than this so please check the weekly newsletter and social media.

If you wish to make contact with the staff in school please send an email to the office. Replies will be given during staff working hours.

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