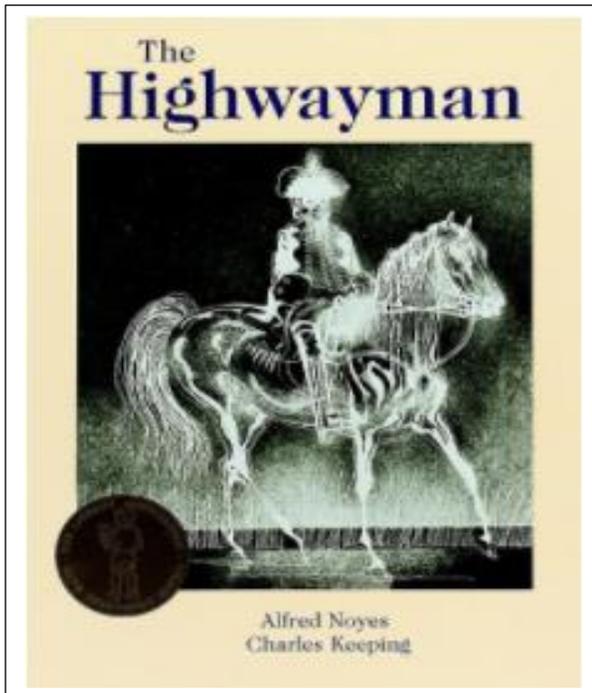




### This term's novel



### Recommended Reads!

**Boy in the Tower** by Polly Ho-Yen

**Heidi** by Johanna Spyri

**Artemis Fowl** by Eoin Colfer

**Clockwork** by Phillip Pullman

**Emil and the detectives**  
by Erich Kastner

**The ghost of Thomas Kempe**  
by Penelope Lively

### English

We are starting this term with our new text called The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes. This is a very popular narrative poem. As we draw closer to Christmas we will compare this with narrative poem of a different genre – “Twas the Night before Christmas.”

#### Key Skills Covered

In Year 5 we will revisit previous learning in addition to:

- Exploring contrasting character perspectives
- Deepening understanding through drama
- Exploring tense and verb forms
- Developing oral comprehension

### Reading

At the beginning of Term 2, the children will be sitting their Star Reading Test Assessments and we will analyse the results to review the current reading level that each of the children are working at. Children should continue to read as much as possible at home and complete quizzes on their books. The **minimum** expectation is once during the week and once over the weekend.

### GPS

There will be a whole English lesson dedicated to the teaching of Grammar, spelling and punctuation on Mondays. This learning will then be consolidated in all other English lessons throughout the week. We are also going to continue using a new spelling scheme entitled “No Nonsense Spelling.”

### Creative Curriculum

This term we are focusing on the subject of Design Technology. This term we are linking this to our computing scheme of work on Purple Mash, where the children will be creating a new game to play. They will then use their DT skills to design and create new packaging for this new invention.

Computing	Mathematics	Science	R.E.
<p>We will continue to use our new Purple Mash computing software.</p> <p>This term we are specifically going to focusing on Unit 5.5 called Game Creator</p> <p>The children will be able to review and analyse computer games and the aspects that make them successful. They will be able to design a setting and characters for their own game and think about an appropriate quest.</p>	<p>As <b>mathematicians</b> we will be working on skills of multiplication and division and area and perimeter.</p> <p>The ability to solve multiplication and division questions, and use multiplicative thinking is helpful to children in everyday life. Multiplication forms the building block for other mathematical concepts.</p> <p>Perimeter and area are also two fundamental mathematical topics. They help you to quantify physical space and also provide a foundation for algebra.</p>	<p>During our penultimate week of term we will all become scientists and learn about Earth and Space.</p> <p>In this topic children develop their knowledge of the Earth's place in the solar system, and their relationships with other bodies in space, in particular with the Sun. The children will revisit their previous knowledge of the calendar to calculate the duration of events and solve problems involving units of time The children will also learn how the Earth's orbit determines the length of a year and why we have leap years.</p>	<p>We will be learning about Incarnation and will be debating whether Jesus was the Messiah.</p> <p>As Christmas falls in this term, we will be enjoying a number of other lessons/activities which will reinforce the importance of the Christmas story. We shall also enjoy visiting St Peter's Church for our annual Christmas service led by Rev. Terranova and the Leading Lights group.</p>
P.E.	Languages	Art	PSHE
<p>We are very lucky to continue having Miss Piper from PASS who will be teaching the children their outdoor hockey skills.</p> <p>We would also like to welcome our new qualified cricket coach from the MCC foundation who will be introducing the game to the children on a junior school level and will work each week to develop their striking and fielding techniques.</p>	<p>We are continuing to learn French in Year 5 and as <b>linguists</b> we be using our new Language Angels scheme to cover the topics of "The Family"</p> <p>We will also be broadening their vocabulary and develop their ability to understand new words that are introduced into familiar written material, including through using a dictionary. Children will also be using their conversational skills to discuss their new learning.</p>	<p>Our topic for this term is "Space Invaders." This links beautifully with our science topic for the term.</p>	<p>We will be continuing to use our Jigsaw scheme of work and this term's focus is "Celebrating Difference."</p> <p>This will incorporate discussion about the following topics: Different cultures, racism, rumours and name-calling, bullying and celebrating difference across the world.</p>
Music	Values focus	Dates	Support at Home
<p>As <b>musicians</b> we will use continue to use our Charanga Music scheme to focus on learning all about the music genre of Jazz.</p>	<p>Year 5's value focus is <b>respect</b>.</p> <p>We will have a focus on what this really means and how we can be respectful members of our school and community and how we can use this value to help with our transition to Year 5.</p>	<p>Term 2 starts — Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021</p> <p>Term 2 Ends—Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021</p> <p>Parent Consultations – Monday 1st</p>	<p>It would be fantastic if you could continue to support your child with daily reading and learning number bonds/multiplication tables. Reading books can be found in our class and school library.</p>

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