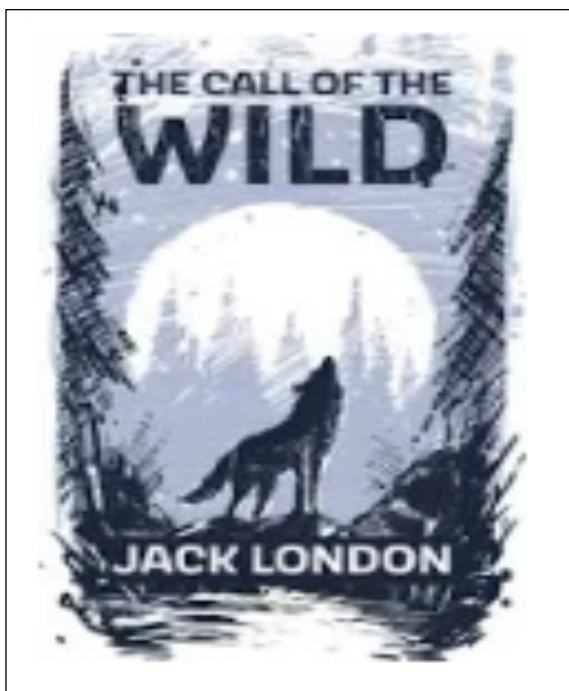




This term's novel



Recommended Reads!

Brightstorm: A Sky-Ship Adventure by Vashti Hardy.

Malamander by Thomas Taylor

Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver

Who Let the Gods Out by Maz Evans

The Violet Veil Mysteries by Sophie Cleverly.

Beetle Boy by MG Leonard.

English

We are starting this term with our new text called *The Call of the Wild* by Jack London. This is a very popular book with rich vocabulary, which we hope the children will thoroughly enjoy.

Key Skills Covered

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

- ☐ Exploring sentence structures and openers
- ☐ Discussion based activities around the text
- ☐ Using different writing techniques and writing in paragraphs
- ☐ Developing description by improving knowledge of adverbs and adjectives.

Reading

The children will choose two reading books – one to read for pleasure and one Accelerated Reader book based on their reading level. This year, the children will receive their reading certificates based on their word count in Accelerated Reader. Children should continue to read as much as possible at home and at school and complete quizzes on their books.

GPS

The children will be taught grammar and punctuation twice a week, which will then be embedded into their English lessons. Alongside this, they will be taught new spelling words each week and embed them throughout the week using *Spelling Shed*.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be working on skills of number with a specific focus on place value.

Understanding place value helps children to count with larger numbers and in larger steps. This is a fantastic skill to have and will help make learning times tables easier and will also help children with multiplication problems.

We will be learning many aspects of number and place value including, rounding, comparing numbers, negative numbers and counting in powers of 10.

Computing	Geography & History	Science	R.E.
Children are introduced to the concept of a system. They will begin to understand that components can work together to perform a task. Finally, children will explore how digital systems can work and learn about physical and electronic connections.	<p>In Geography, the children will be learning and developing a range of mapping skills with a focus on North America.</p> <p>In History, the children will be learning about the Maya culture and aspects of life, including writing, cities and agriculture.</p>	<p>This term, the children will be investigating living things. They will look at life cycles of different animals, reproduction and classification of animals and plants.</p> <p>The children will also be investigating materials by exploring their properties. They will look at solids, liquids and gases and how mixtures can be separated through mixing and filtering.</p>	<p>We will be learning about God and what it means to say that God is loving and holy.</p> <p>Children will be identifying different types of biblical texts. They will be explaining connections between biblical texts and Christian ideas of God, using theological terms. They will be making clear connections between Bible texts studied and what Christians believe about God and showing how Christians put their beliefs into practice in worship.</p>
P.E.	Languages	Art & DT	PSHE
<p>The children will complete two PE sessions on a Friday afternoon this term.</p> <p>The Indoor session will focus on Fitness and the outdoor session is Target Games.</p> <p>Please send your child in wearing their PE kit on their PE day.</p>	<p>We are continuing to learn French in Year 5 and as linguists we be using our new Language Angels scheme to cover the Phonetics.</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. They will also be using their conversational skills to discuss their new learning.</p>	<p>In Art, the children will be exploring the art of architecture, with a focus on the designer Zaha Hadid. They will look at where artists get their inspiration and some of the techniques used to design buildings.</p> <p>The children will be exploring Mechanisms in Design & Technology this term. They will be looking at different examples: such as pulleys and gears. The children will be designing, constructing, and evaluating a product that contains mechanisms.</p>	<p>We will be continuing to use our Jigsaw scheme of work and this term's focus is "Being Me in the World."</p> <p>This will also incorporate how we can show our school values in all we do.</p>
Music	Values focus	Dates	Support at Home
As musicians we will use continue to use our Charanga Music scheme to focus on the genre of rock this term.	<p>Year 5's value focus is <u>respect</u>.</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 1 starts — Monday 4th September</p> <p>Term Ends— Thursday 19th October</p>	<p>It would be fantastic if you could continue to support your child with daily reading and learning number bonds/multiplication tables. The weekly spelling words could also be practiced at home to help embed them.</p>