



# Newsletter

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2017/18

3rd November 2017



## INTERNATIONAL EVENING & BLACK HISTORY MONTH WORKSHARE

A very big thank you to everyone who was able to join us for our celebration of Black History Month and the wonderful diversity of our school community.

The children shared the fantastic work they have been doing researching inventors, mathematicians, humanitarians and musicians. The children used all their literacy, science and artistic skills to produce wonderful displays.

Our International Evening was as spectacular as ever; full of fantastic dance routines and wonderful food. Thank you to everyone for joining us and bringing food to share.



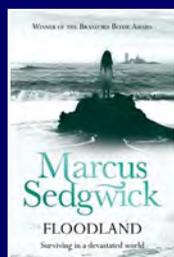
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# Year 5

Term 2 2017/2018

## Learning for this term

Welcome back! We hope you have enjoyed your half-term break and are rested ready to tackle the challenges of this new term! Year 5's topic for this term will be rivers and floods.



### **Literacy**

We will be reading 'Floodland', an action packed story set in a future UK that has been left unrecognisable by floods. The children will be writing for a range of purposes, both fiction and non-fiction, inspired by this exciting narrative.

### **Science**

Year 5 will be learning about gravity and other forces. We will be conducting a range of investigations and experiments to see how forces affect our everyday life.



**Numeracy** Year 5 will be focusing on the four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be covering mental and formal methods for all the operations, and introducing long multiplication for multiplying by 2 digits. Alongside our lessons, Year 5 will focus on developing their mental arithmetic with twice weekly mental arithmetic challenges alongside multiplication recall.

## Great Start to the year!:

What a fantastic start to the year we have had in Year 5! We have been extremely impressed with the hard work and dedication that the classes have shown and would like to take this opportunity to say a huge well done. The work produced for our international workshare was brilliant and admired by everyone! Our fantastic dance to Jailhouse Rock was a huge hit with parents and students. Thank you to everybody who came and celebrated these events with us.

We look forward to an even more fantastic Term 2!



## Dates for your Diary:

Date	Event
Tuesday 14th November	Ringgold Class Assembly—9:00am in the top hall—All parents invited.
Tuesday 14th November	Parent Conferences
Wednesday 15th November	Parent Conferences
Thursday 23rd November	Maths Workshare—3:15pm in the Top Hall—All parents invited
Thursday 23rd November	Monet Class trip to Limehouse Basin
Thursday 30th November	Ringgold Class trip to Limehouse Basin

### Supporting at home with learning

Children should be practicing their weekly spellings using the strategies to help them. Daily, children should use Mathletics or SpelloDrome to help reinforce their learning. If you cannot access these sites, please talk to Year 5 team to help organize opportunities in school. The standard of homework this year has been fantastic to see—please make sure your children are submitting their homework weekly.

### Home reading

It is extremely important that children read at home every day. The more children read the greater progress they make in both spelling and creative writing. Please remember to listen to your child read at home every day and record this in their home school reading record. If you would like any advice on this, please don't hesitate to ask the Year 5 team.

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