

18<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Curriculum News**

Please find detailed below our plan of work for Term 5. The theme for this term is Scotland.  
Sharing assemblies for the term will be as follows:

28<sup>th</sup> April- Mars

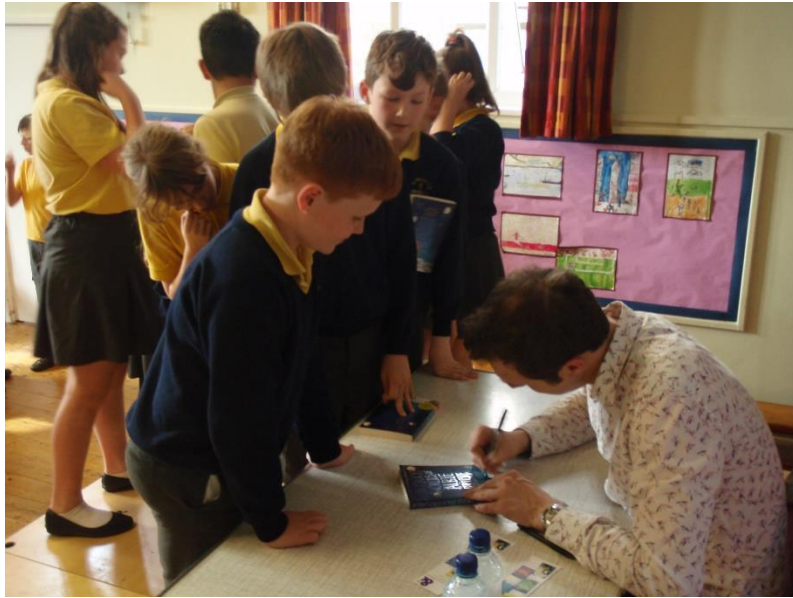
5<sup>th</sup> May- Venus

In addition to this there will be a service in church on 26<sup>th</sup> April to which you are all invited.

**Term 5 Y1-6 – Theme: Scotland**

Subject	Focus
<b>Literacy</b>	Programme of English work including reading, writing, spelling, phonics and speaking and listening appropriate to age and ability. Children will be reading about Scotland and will be reading fiction based in Scotland.
<b>Numeracy</b>	Programme of Mathematics work appropriate to age and ability. This will generally include work on the four rules of number (addition, subtraction, division and multiplication) as well as work on topics such as time, money, measures, shape and space.
<b>Science</b>	This term we will be looking at animals and their adaptations as well as looking at sunshine and shadows.
<b>History</b>	The children will be finding out Britain’s settlement by the Scots. Some classes will also find out about William Wallis as a study of a famous Scottish person.
<b>Geography</b>	The children will be looking at geographical differences between the South of England and Scotland, they will compare weather as well as physical and human geography.
<b>Computing</b>	Research into the current topic, e-safety work, coding, computational thinking and collection of weather data. <b>Please note that there will be an e safety session delivered by Mr Chris Roche for Y5 and Y6 on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. This will then be followed by an e safety session open to all parents and carers on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May from 7-9pm. The school will be charged for this session so we need to be sure that enough parents wish to attend to make this worthwhile. There will be an attendance slip on the next school newsletter. I would encourage ALL parents to attend this session if possible.</b>
<b>DT</b>	Building structures such as bridges.
<b>Art</b>	Landscape painting, weaving and observational drawing.
<b>Music</b>	Listening and understanding music, folk music.
<b>RE</b>	The Church, the Bible. Y5 children will be studying Sikhism- this will be complemented by a visit to the Sikh Gurdwara in Gavesend- more details to follow. Y3 and 4 will be studying Hinduism.
<b>PSHE</b>	Being a citizen of the world. Since there has been a general election called classes will be discussing this as part of British values(democracy).
<b>PE</b>	Dance- Scottish dancing, net games, striking and fielding games.
<b>MfL</b>	Children will be continuing to learn the beginnings of Spanish.
<b>Forest School</b>	Forest School for Venus class.





Visit from author Christopher Edge



Having fun on Red Nose day

Yours sincerely

Debbie Gilbert  
Headteacher

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<b>Dates for Terms 5 and 6</b>	
18 <sup>th</sup> April	Term 5 starts
<b>1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Week beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs week
<b>Week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Y6 Bikeability and Cricket tournament</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>Internet Safety session Y5 and 6</b>
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>Y5 trip to Sikh Gurdwara in Gravesend</b>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Bowl Y6 Residential trip information session for parents 3pm</b>
<b>25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Internet safety session for parents 7pm-9pm</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> May- 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Whitsun break</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Term 6 starts</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>PTFA summer fair</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Y1 Phonic screening</b>
16 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	INSET days 4 and 5
<b>20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Sports afternoon at Swan Meadow 1.30pm</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Open morning 9am- 10am</b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup> June- 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Bowl Residential trip Y6</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>New parent meeting for Pluto parents of Sept 2017 7pm</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Y5/6 play 6pm</b>
<b>19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Leavers' BBQ 6pm</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Last day Leavers' service in church 2pm</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>INSET day 1</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>INSET day 2</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Children return to school(except Pluto- separate arrangements)</b>