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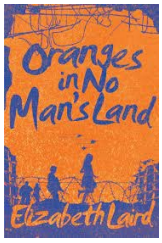
Year 5 Newsletter

Autumn 2—2026-27

English

Our text this half term is 'Oranges in No Man's Land' by Elizabeth Laird.

Young children are the innocent victims of war and Ayesha is no exception. With her father abroad looking for work and her mother killed in a rocket attack, Ayesha and her young brothers find themselves refugees in a bombed out flat in Beirut with only an elderly grandmother to care for them.



Science

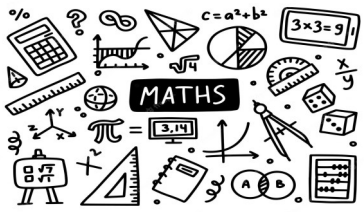
Our topic this half term will be 'Forces'. Throughout the unit, we will look at:

- What are forces?
- Levers and pullers
- Parachutes and how they word
- Gravity



Maths

This half term, we will be focussing on Multiplication and division. We will look at multiples, factors and prime numbers. Later on in the half term, we will look at Perimeter and Area.



Ancient Egyptians

Our topic this half term is 'Ancient Egyptians'.

Through this topic, we will be learning about:

- Introduction to Ancient Egypt
- Egyptologists
- Pharaohs and Pyramids



Please remember to read your books at least 3x weekly. Reading Records are due in on **Monday**.

Spelling tests are on a **Friday**- use Spelling Shed to help you learn!

PE day- Tuesday

R.E

Our topic of study for R.E this half term is 'What is Peace?'

- What is peace?
- Peacemakers
- My peaceful place poetry
- Islam/Christianity/Judaism/ Hinduism



RSE

Our topic this half term is 'Celebrating differences'

Through this topic, we will be learning about:

- Cultural differences and how they can cause conflict
- Racism
- Rumours and name-calling
- Types of bullying
- Material wealth and happiness
- Enjoying and respecting other cultures



Music

This half term we will focus on jazz music. We will listen and appraise to different songs and learn to play percus-sion instruments in time.



Computing

This half term we will be learning about 'Creating media'. Children will look at video editing.



P.E

This half term's PE focus will be 'Invasion Games' and 'Dance'.



Key Dates

W/C 2.11—Poppies on Sale

4.11—Y5 Egyptian Inspiration Day

11.11—Remembrance Day

13.11—Children in Need

18.11 and 19.11—Parents Evening

W/C 30.11—Y5 Bikeability

10.12—Christmas Dinner Day

11.12—Christmas Fun Day

14.12- Talent Show Auditions

16.12—Christmas parties

17.12—Glenthorne's Got Talent & Break up day