Welcome to Year 5

2026-2027

Meet the Team

Mrs Hodgson

Oak Class



Mr Hutchings

Maple Class



Mrs Kendall

Mrs Clarke

Topics

Term 1 Stormbreaker

Term 2 Get off my Land!

Term 3 South America

Term 4 Rainforests

Term 5 Bee Kind

Term 6 It's all Greek to me!

- At St Mark's we encourage a cross-curricular, creative curriculum.
- We follow the National Curriculum
- For Maths, we follow a scheme called 'White Rose'. This focuses largely on reasoning and problem solving in Maths. We also have adopted the Maths Mastery approach where whole class teaching is used.

Trips and visits

- The trips for the year ahead:
  - Cathedral Trip
  - Museum visit (Anglo- Saxons)
  - Winchester Science Museum
  - Community outreach project
  - Greek Day (Visiting group)

PPA day: Wednesday afternoon

For the first half of the year, our PPA time is on a Wednesday afternoon. This is when the teachers assess the current week's learning and plan and prepare learning for the following week.

During this time, children take part in these subjects, taught by these teachers:

- PE
- Music - Mrs Shakespeare

PE days/ kit

- Pupils will have PE on a Wednesday afternoon.
- Children must wear their PE kits to school on this day.
- Pupils should wear appropriate PE kit (t-shirt, sweatshirt/hoodie in school colours, shorts, trousers, socks).
- We encourage trainers rather than plimsolls.
- Please label all PE kit including footwear.
- All children are expected to take part in PE lessons unless there is a valid reason (please speak to your child's teacher in this circumstance or put a note in the communication book).

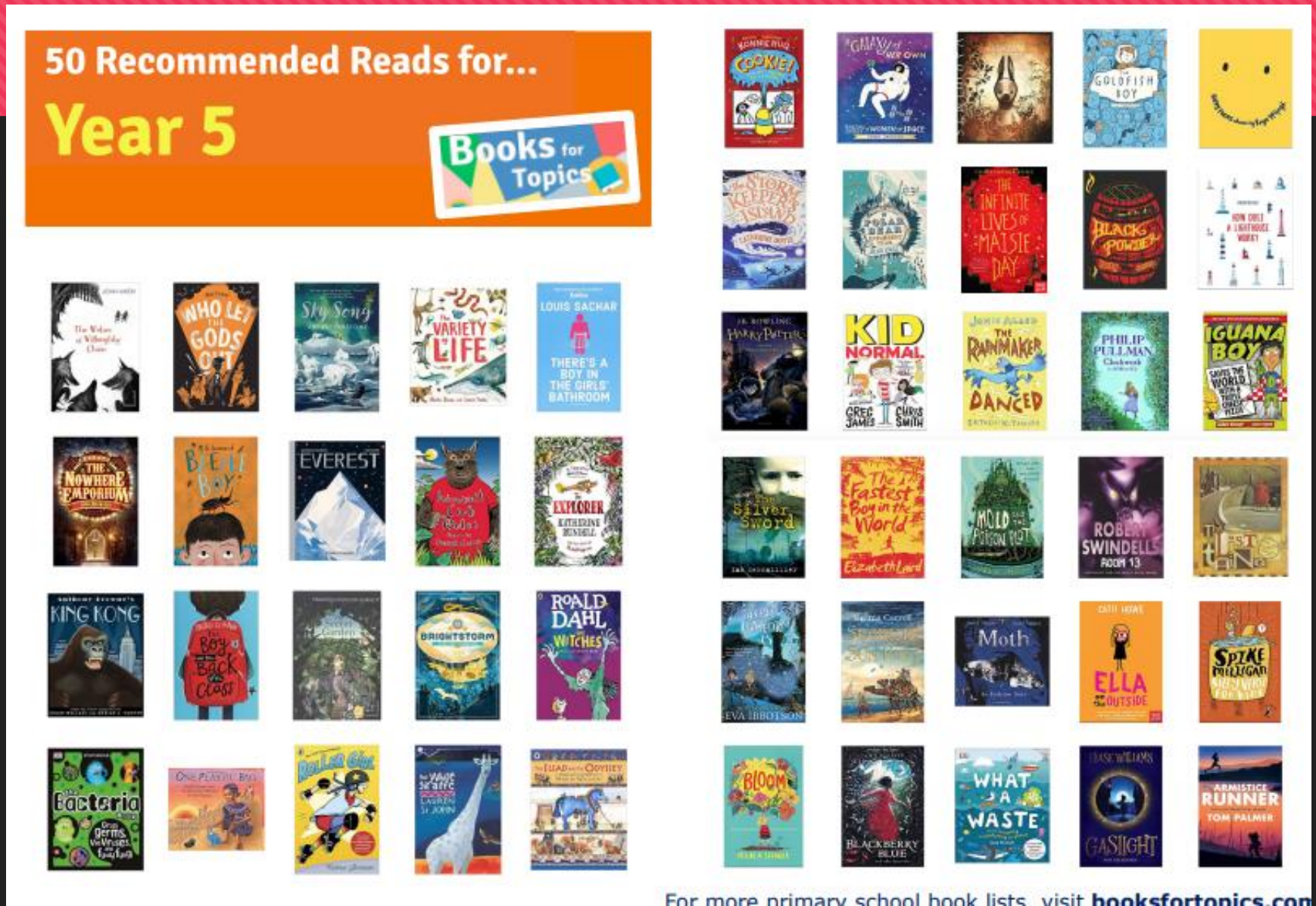
Home Learning Expectations

- During the year, children will be expected to read regularly and practise times tables and spellings.
- We practise spelling patterns in school and will send lists home for your information.
- Times tables practice – TT Rockstars- online platform for children to complete their tables and compete against others! Log-ins are in communication books.
- KIRFS – focusing on the key mathematical skills
- Reading; children are expected to read to an adult at least 3 times a week at home, in addition to at least 2 independent reads (a total of 5+ times a week). Please sign their reading record.

Communication/ reading log

- Your child has a Communication Book.
- Please ensure they bring this into school every day, regardless of whether it has been written in.
- They/you should log your child's reading activity in this book.
- Please write any messages for your child's teacher in this book.
- We will inform you of Superstars and Reflections via Arbor. Lion awards will be given in assembly on alternate Fridays.

Some examples of Year 5 recommended texts:
(a mixture of classics, modern, novels, picture books)



Who to ask…

If you have a query or concern, please contact the following people who will be happy to help.

- 1. Class teacher
- 2. Mrs Norman (Deputy Head Teacher)
- 3. Mrs Fielder (Head of School)
- For SEND concerns, speak to Mrs O'Keefe

Helpers

- Parent helpers - if you are available, please let the office know.

- ☺ This is much appreciated!

- ☺ A big thank you in advance for all your support.

Any questions?