

# Year 5 Newsletter



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ACADEMY

## Term 4

### Key Dates for the Diary

Year 5 Trip to Hastings Contemporary	Monday 2nd March
World Book Day	Thursday 5th March
Topic home-work due date	Wednesday 25th March
Celebration afternoon	Thursday 2nd April

## WORLD BOOK DAY

*Dress as your favourite book*



*character*

## REMINDER ABOUT UNIFORM



Please remember that all children need to wear a tie and plain black school shoes.

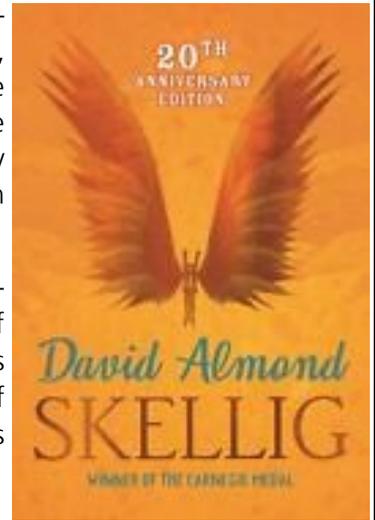
## QUEST

This term, Year 5 will be reading the book *Skellig*, by David Almond. This book revolves around a 10-year old boy, Michael. When Michael moves into a crumbling old house with an ancient garage that he cannot resist going into, he encounters a mysterious creature named *Skellig*. Slowly they come to trust and care for each other and help each other through the most difficult phase of their lives.

This book links with our topic 'Quest,' as an adventure story, as well as linking fantastically well with the History of the Saxons. We will be learning about how the Saxons originated, linking with English, creating a biography of *Alfred The Great* as well as understanding how the Saxons fit in within our current history timeline.

In art, we will be creating beautifully embossed foil broaches, inspired by traditional Saxon designs.

This term's science topic is 'properties of materials' and Year 5 will be enjoying some investigative science.



## HOME LEARNING

Please remember to hear your child read daily as well as support your child to practise their spellings and times tables at least twice weekly. As a year group, we are becoming more confident in spellings, which is great! We need to continue this good practise, as well as taking responsibility for learning our weekly spellings.

Homework will be given out on a Friday. Spellings will be tested on a Thursday.

We are studying **percentages** this term in maths—please support your child by encouraging them to complete their homework tasks, some of which can be accessed on Purple Mash.



## READING RECORDS

This term's reading cards are white—please record the title of the book as well as sign and date every time you hear your child read. Children should use these as bookmarks and bring them in every day, tucked inside their home reading book. Please record how many minutes they read on a Wednesday night—these minutes all add up for our weekly Busters Competition!

## PE DAYS

Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school at all times. Spare socks would be helpful for those wet and rainy days too :)

Egrets PE days—Tuesdays and Thursdays  
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