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Year 5 - Summer Newsletter

Dear Parents/Careers,

We hope you had a lovely Easter Break and managed to spend some quality time with your families.

This letter provides some key information about this half term in Year 5. As always, we would like to say thank you for all the support you have given your child last half term. A strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education.

Upcoming key dates for the diary:

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| 26th April | Performing Arts Workshop at the BRIT School. (30 children from across year 5 will be spending a morning at The BRIT School taking part in a workshop run by Year 13's and their tutors) |
| 1st May | May Bank Holiday |
| 8th May | Bank Holiday – King Charles III's Coronation |
| 17th May | Year 5 coffee morning – Secondary Transfer Information |
| 19th May | Thames Explorer Trip – 5FST and 5J |
| 22nd May | Thames Explorer Trip – 5F and 5S |





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Year 5 Curriculum – Summer 1

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| <p>English The Children of the Kingdom of Benin</p> | <p>Reading War Horse By Michael Morpurgo</p> | <p>Maths Fractions, decimals, percentages and properties of shape</p> |
| <p>History The Kingdom of Benin</p> | <p>Science Materials</p> | <p>Geography Rivers</p> |
| <p>Computing Programming</p> | <p>PSHE Relationships</p> | <p>R.E Pilgrimage</p> |
| <p>Art Art from around the world</p> | <p>D.T Structures</p> | <p>Half Term Theme CROSSING BORDERS</p> |

Homework

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| <p>Daily</p> <p>Reading for 15 minutes</p> | <p>Monday</p> <p>Mathletics</p> | <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Comprehension (Set on Google Classroom)</p> | <p>Friday</p> <p>Spelling</p> | <p>*New* Half Termly</p> <p>A project will be set for the children based around the topic they have been learning at school.</p> |
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Theme:

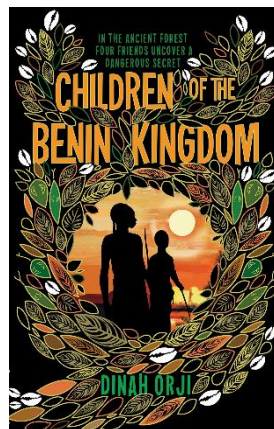
Our theme this half term is **Crossing Borders** and we will be exploring this concept throughout the curriculum. For our entry point, the children are creating presentations all about themselves, their nationality and their family history. We're sure they have already asked you for some photos and stories.

English:

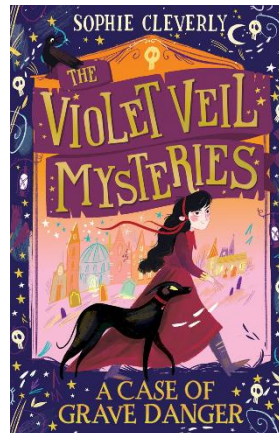
We will be reading the book *The Children of the Benin Kingdom* by Dinah Orji in English lessons this half term. This will link with our history lessons where we are learning all about the ancient Nigeran Kingdom of Benin.

In our whole class reading lessons we will be looking at the children's book *The Violet Veil Mysteries – A case of Grave Danger* by Sophie Cleverly.

English



Whole Class Reading



Maths:

In Maths, we will be continuing to look at fractions, decimals and percentages. Later on in the half term we will be learning about properties of shape.

As always, please make sure your child is spending at least 30 minutes on times table rock stars each week and completing their mathematics homework. This really does support their learning in the classroom.

If you or your child have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact their class teacher.

Best wishes

The Year 5 Team

