

Townlands C of E Primary Academy

"A journey of learning in the light of God's love"

Faith, Honesty, Love, Friendship, Forgiveness, Hope, Respect



"What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade."

The parable of the Mustard seed- Mark 4:30-32

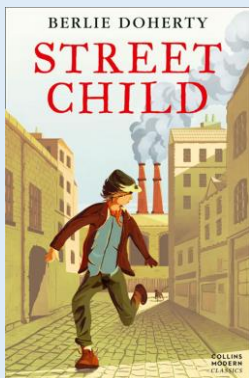
Year Five Summer 2 Term 2025 – First half term

Ms Lightfoot and Mr Linstead

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term break and are ready for the last few weeks of your time in Year 5. We are excited to have the children back in school and this term looks to be great! This term, we will be carrying on with our theme 'The Victorians'. Queen Victoria's reign covered a period of political enlightenment with the suffragette movement and political reform. The Britain she left at the turn of the twentieth century was unrecognisable from the one she took over. We look forward to continuing this period of discovery! In mathematics, we will be converting and measuring units discovering size, volume and capacity, and continuing to develop our arithmetic skills. Securing and applying our knowledge from previous year groups, we will also develop our mathematics reasoning and problem-solving skills. Within Literacy, we will use focus texts to create a setting narrative linked to our class book, FArTHER. Our guided reading will help to enhance our curriculum through a range of texts and continuing in-depth comprehension.

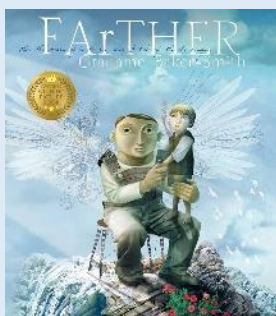
During this term, we will also explore other aspects in the wider curriculum such as R.E (**Why do some people believe in God and some do not?**), art and D.T (**drawing, depth, emotion and movement**) and music (**looping and remixing**).

Books we will be using to enhance our learning and love of reading.



Street Child by Berlie Doherty

Street Child, a novel by Berlie Doherty, tells the story of Jim Jarvis, an orphan in Victorian London, who, after escaping the workhouse, struggles to survive on the streets, facing hardship and cruelty before eventually being helped by Dr. Barnardo.



FArTHER by Grahame Baker-Smith

'My Father's house was safe and rooted in the rock but inside he dreamed of air and flight'.

A son remembers his father - his dreams of being able to fly as well as spending time together until one day the war takes him away forever. Words and pictures combine beautifully to tell a moving story about fathers and sons. Step into an incredible world, where dreams that are passed from father to son make anything possible.

Homework:

Homework is set every Friday and is put onto Year 5 class page and is due in the following **Thursday**:

- The homework task will be grammar, math and spellings, with a project to be completed once every half term.
- Spellings are set weekly and tested on **Friday**.
- Reading – children need to be reading at least 5 times a week, reading log books are checked every Wednesday. Reading is essential to just about everything in life – from cooking to driving. It is important to start at a young age and to build the habit, there is so much pleasure to be found with reading.

PE:

One P.E session per week will be with our sports coach Mr Moon, whilst the second P.E session will be with the class teacher.

This will continue on **Monday & Thursday for both classes**. Children will arrive in their P.E. kit at school on these days appropriate for the weather. This needs to include an outdoor kit which is joggers, sweat shirt and trainers and indoor kit which is shorts and white t-shirt.

Health & Safety reminder: No jewellery to be worn during PE lessons; if earrings can't be removed, then they can be taped over.

Water:

In order to ensure children do not get thirsty throughout the day, we ask them to bring to school fresh **water** (not juice) each day in a labelled bottle. We thank you for your cooperation with this.

Keep looking at our pages on the website for information and activities. If you have any queries or questions at any time, then please feel free to talk to us. Also, if you have any books or want to research further the themes we are covering, then we would welcome this.

Finally, keep an eye on Townlands' Facebook feed for latest updates and successes.

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Key dates:

Thursday June 5th – Worry Workshop

Friday June 6th – Year 5 Victorian Day

Thursday June 12th – Year 5 trip

Monday 16th June – Parents Maths Morning 8:45am - 9:10am

Tuesday June 24th – Sports Day KS2 PM

Wednesday June 25th – Year 5 Take-a-Peek Day at Heath Lane

Tuesday July 1st – End of year service