



Year 5 Newsletter

Summer 2—2023/2024



Notices and Reminders

Please ensure:

- Five reads are completed at home as a priority for home learning;
- Water bottles only contain water;
- Jumpers and cardigans are clearly labelled;
- Long hair is tied back.

Reading

We will be reading *Freedom* by Catherine Johnson. The story follows a young boy, enslaved on a Jamaican plantation, who travels to Britain hoping to gain his freedom.

The children will be developing their inference skills and understanding of how to use evidence from the text to support their answers.



Writing

In writing, the children will be writing a narrative and a piece of non-fiction. In their narrative learning, they will be learning about how to write a meeting tale and how to use the appropriate grammar to make this exciting. In their non-fiction writing, the children will be writing an information text.



Key dates

- **Weds 5th June** - Class Photos
- **Sat 8th June** - 12pm-3pm HaleFest!
- **Mon 24th June** - (3:45 – 5pm) STEM event at Collingwood College (by invitation only)
- **Sat 6th July** – Hale Carnival
- **Tues 9th July** - District Sports
- **Thurs 11th July a.m.** - KS2 Sports Day 9am until approximately 11am
- **Mon 15th July - 9am** - Rocksteady Concert for parents of children who take part in Rocksteady
- **Tues 23rd July** - Last day of term, 1:30pm finish

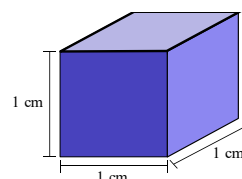
Term dates can be found on our website here:

<https://www.hale.kite.academy/news-and-events/term-dates/>

Further dates will be added in due course.

Maths

This half term, the children will be learning how to convert units of measurement as well as using cubic centimetres to compare and estimate volume and capacity. In the final few weeks, we will be revisiting previously taught topics from year 5 to secure their knowledge on key concepts.



Music

In music, the children will learn that there are so many different and interesting styles of music. They will learn that it is 'texture' that makes music so interesting and that different styles of music have different textures. The children will explore how voices and instruments combine to create texture in music and will apply their knowledge when learning the unit songs and playing the glockenspiel.



History

In history this term, the children will be learning about the Transatlantic Slave Trade. We will explore how and why it began and what countries were involved. We will learn about the experiences of enslaved people and how it was abolished.



Art

This term Year 5 will be learning about the artist Esther Mahlangu and her contributions to art. They will dip their toes into Tingatinga art, in preparation to create their very own clay piece inspired by the artefacts of Benin.



PE

In P.E. this half term, the children will be learning gymnastics. We will look at which different types of rolls we know including how to perform a backwards roll. The children will also be learning how to perform a handstand and a cartwheel.



Computing

In computing, the children will be learning about Scratch block coding. They will learn how to make a sprite move by following a set of instructions. Later in the term, the children will look at back drops, costumes and how to change these through programming. At the end of the term, they will be creating animations using block programming.



PSHE

In PSHE this half term the children will be learning about the world of work. They will be considering the different jobs there are, how people prepare for a job and how they choose a job.

WORK

French

This term, the children will meet Amandine who owns the **salon de thé** which will be the focus of the unit.

The aim of the unit is to teach the pupils the language required to order what they would like to eat and drink from the salon de thé.



Suggested books for reading

