

A Spotlight on Year 5!

Year 5 have made a fantastic start to the new academic year! We have been busy settling into our new routines, embracing challenges and throwing ourselves into lots of exciting learning opportunities.

In **English**, we have been putting our writing skills to the test. Having enjoyed The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe last year, we began the year by writing character descriptions of the mighty Aslan. We're so proud of our finished pieces that we had the opportunity to share them with Year 3, who enjoyed listening to our descriptions! We have also been inspired by The Firework-Maker's Daughter, using the story as a stimulus to write persuasive arguments to Weymouth Council, convincing them not to ban fireworks. A special well done to Emilia, whose fantastic piece was chosen to be posted! Her hard work and determination certainly paid off.

George

In Art, we learned how to master Cartographic Typography! This fascinating technique combines the craft and science of designing, styling, and placing text on a map to perfectly support visual symbols and geographic features.

To bring our maps to life, we integrated the specialized historical vocabulary from our recent units on the **Shang Dynasty** and the **Mayans.** It was an incredible way to blend history with design, ensuring our text placement was just as meaningful as the ancient civilisations we were mapping!

Esther

Swimming has been another highlight! The children have worked incredibly hard in each session to develop and improve their swimming strokes. After all their hard work, we enjoyed a well-deserved fun session, with the whole pool and inflatables to play with. There were plenty of smiles and lots of splashing!

We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, creativity and determination Year 5 have shown so far. We can't wait to see what the rest of the year brings



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Florie, Robyn, Violet and Bonnie, "We have formed a girl group (singing and dancing) called 'New Bloom'! We are writing songs that people of all ages can dance to! We are inspired by a girl group called 'Katseye' and one day we hope to be just like them!"



Quotes from us!

Bodhi, "I'm really enjoying the leadership opportunities we get in Year 5."

Charlie, "I'm feeling really positive about the improvements in my handwriting."

Ida, "I am really proud of how I keep persevering when the maths get a little tricky."

Leo, "It feels like we are the veterans of the school now and being really good role models for the younger children."







Friday 6th November	Cut off for ordering photos
Friday 13th November	Children In Need Non-uniform Day Please Donate via **our link**
Wednesday 18th November	Parents Music Concert - Parents will be emailed if child taking part
Wednesday 11th November	Cycle to School Day
Tuesday 17th November	Year 5 Dorchester Museum trip - Permission required on Arbor
Wednesday 18th November	Parent Music concert 1:30pm School Hall
Thursday 26th November	Year 2 Weymouth History Trip - Permission required on Arbor
Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd December	PTFA Santa workshop in school
Wednesday 2nd December	Sports Leaders event at Redlands
Saturday 5th December	Carol singing school choir Upwey 4pm
Tuesday 8th December	KS1 Nativity 9:30am & 1:30pm - Reserve tickets on Arbor
Wednesday 9th December	Year 5 Dorchester Museum Trip - Permission required on Arbor
Tuesday 15th December	Year 2 afternoon trip to Upwey Church - Parents to collect 2:30pm from Church.
Wednesday 16th December	St Nic's Christmas !!! Christmas Jumper Day Christmas lunch & Elves visiting!!
Friday 18th December	Bee Hive Closed **School finishes at 2pm**

Trip Dates
School & PTFA Dates

PE Days

Lunch orders

