



# RED CLASS NEWS

## Summer 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the final term of Year 5, the Summer Term! I hope you all enjoyed the break and had some lovely family time together.

### Curriculum



In English, we'll be reading lots of different stories and facts. We'll work on using punctuation such as, commas and brackets, spelling tricky words, and understanding more about how to use clauses in our writing.

In Maths, we'll focus on understanding fractions and decimal places. We'll also look at shapes, angles, and how to measure things, like converting different units.

In History, we're continuing our journey from the Saxons and exploring the Vikings. We'll think like historians to learn about who they were, what life was like, and why they settled in certain places. We'll even figure out if there's anything we can thank the Vikings for today!



Geography will take us on a local adventure in Exeter! We'll learn to use online maps and focus on reading these maps to understand land use.

Science is all about life cycles this term. We'll study how plants and animals reproduce, and even learn how plants can grow from cuttings to make new plants.

In Art and DT (Design and Technology), we'll create flowers out of pottery and investigate how automatons work—those fascinating moving machines!

### Forest School and PE



Forest School returns on Monday afternoons for the first half of the term. There are a few bank holidays and a school trip, so there will be fewer sessions. Make sure your child wears clothing that covers their skin and has sturdy shoes.

PE is on Tuesday afternoons, so please check that your child has their PE kit at school. We will also be continuing swimming lessons at the Waie Inn for the first half of the summer term so please ensure that you children come wearing their swimming outfits underneath their uniform.



Make sure to check our class topic web on the school website if you're curious to learn more.



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### Home Learning

It's important to support your child with their homework. We expect children to:

- Use Spelling Shed to practice weekly spellings. They can also write sentences using these words in their home learning book to help them understand the words better.
- Use Maths Shed or any worksheets we send home to practice their maths skills.
- Read every day. Now that they're older, they might prefer reading quietly, but having a reading time to discuss the book helps ensure they understand it. Remember to record their reading in their reading diary. This helps me know how they're doing and if they need any help.

### Reminders

Trip to Rosemoor: we are delighted to be visiting Rosemoor gardens to deepen our understanding of reproduction in plants. Further information will follow.

Please make sure your child has a water bottle at school to stay hydrated throughout the day.

As it's summer, apply sun cream in the morning and give your child antihistamines if they have hay fever. A rainy day might pop up, so pack a coat just in case.

Healthy snacks for morning break are encouraged so please try to avoid sugary treats.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

Miss Anna

