Key Dates for the Term:

Y5 Taster Day at Sheldon School- Wednesday 18th November 2026

Christmas Church Service- Friday 18th December 2026

End of Term- Friday 18th December 2026

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Snacks and Drinks: Water bottles (preferably filled with water only) are kept at the back of the class. Please stick to healthy snacks only. (Fruit, vegetables, cereal bars – no biscuits, chocolate or crisps.)

Home Learning: Reading (preferably 3 times a week) – Children can write in their own reading journals.

Home learning is given out every Friday and should be in no later than the following THURSDAY. This will normally include spelling, times tables and handwriting. Children earn a star for every piece they do. Ten stars gives them a prize.

For additional home learning, children can do the times table assignment on TTRockstars.

PE Kit Day: Wednesday (with sports coach) and Thursday (if it's raining, we'll use the hall)

Reminders: Children can have one pencil case but strictly **no** toys or fidgets (unless agreed with Mr Upton). We will provide doodle books.

Here is some of the key facts, ideas and vocabulary that we will be learning about in each curriculum area this term. It would be helpful if you could share them at home with your child, and revisit them often, as it will support and reinforce their understanding of the topic. Thank you.

English/Guided Reading: Diary Entry: Hike **Key Vocabulary:** Simile, alliteration, adjective, conjunction, superlatives, comparatives, rhymes	**SPAG:** **Key Vocabulary:** Fronted adverbial, verb, adjective, noun	**Maths:** Addition and Subtraction **Key Vocabulary:** Digit, hundreds, tens, ones, partition, greater than, less than, compare, represent	**Times tables:**4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 **Key Vocabulary:** Groups of, divided by, shared between,	**PSHE:** **Key Vocabulary:** Collaboration, compromise, communication, assertive, respect, emotional needs, trust, conflict resolution	**PE:** Volleyball & Badminton **Key Vocabulary:** Movement, perseverance, practice, pass, receive, concentration, teamwork
Geography: North and South America **Key Vocabulary:** Continent, hemisphere, equator, latitude, longitude, climate zone, biome, rainforest, Amazon, Andes, Rocky Mountains, physical features, human features	**DT:** Burglar Alarms **Key Vocabulary:** Circuit, component, battery, switch, pressure pad, buzzer, conductor, insulator, series circuit, prototype, design criteria, evaluate	**Science:** Earth and Space **Key Vocabulary:** Sun, Moon, Earth, planet, solar system, orbit, rotate, axis, spherical, star, geocentric, heliocentric, day and night	**Music**: Composition notation (Ancient Egypt) **Key Vocabulary:** Composition, notation, pitch, rhythm, tempo, dynamics, ostinato, stave, crotchet, quaver, rest, pentatonic scale	**French:** Space Exploration **Key Vocab:** l'espace (space), la Terre (Earth), la Lune (Moon), le Soleil (Sun), une planète (planet), une étoile (star), une fusée (rocket), un astronaute (astronaut)	**RE Day:** Jesus: How did he speak truth to power? **Key Vocabulary:** Gospel, authority, justice, injustice, courage, Pharisees, temple, parable, prophet, Kingdom of God, compassion, challenge