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Year 5 Topic Letter – Summer Term 2025

April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our topic this term is '**Incredible India**' with a focus on geography

In **geography** we will be learning about:

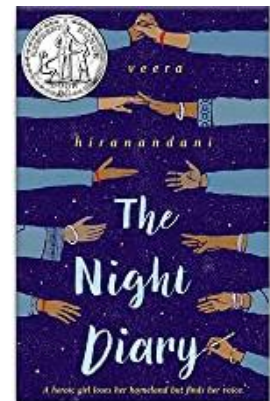
- Physical and human features of India
- Different mountains and rivers, focusing on the Himalayas and the Ganges
- Environmental issues
- The cultural significance the river Ganges
- Cities in India
- Comparison with our own city – London

In **history** we will be learning about:

- The British Empire – when, how and why it was established
- The East India Company and its impact on the people of India
- The partition of India post-independence in 1947

In **English** we will be doing:

- Descriptive poetry inspired by the majestic Asian elephant
- 'The Night Diary' by Veera Hiranandani
- 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham
- 'Tiger Boy' by Mitali Perkins



In **Science** we will be learning about living things and their habitats and animals, including humans. This will be supported by a trip to London Zoo in the first half of the summer term.

In **R.E.**, our primary focus this term will be Sikhism and we will be learning about sacred places.

In **DT**, we will cook a range of Indian food including dal, curries, bread and chutneys. We will also build a bridge able to withstand a tsunami. In **art**, we will be inspired by the wildlife of India, creating beautiful watercolour elephants and colourful banyan trees.

In maths, we will follow the National Curriculum, focusing on:

- Statistics
- Properties of shape
- Position and direction
- Decimals
- Converting units
- Volume
- Consolidation on using the four operations and fractions



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Knowing their times tables facts up to 12 x 12 is invaluable. Please continue to support their learning of their times tables at home and encourage them to go on to Times Table Rock stars for 5 minutes 4-5 times a week.

We will continue to have trumpets and trombones lessons every Thursday morning. Please remind your child to bring their instrument to school every Thursday and to practise regularly at home.

In P.E. children will continue to develop athletics skills in games sessions with Coach Keeley on Mondays. On Fridays this term, Year 5 will have a PE session at Hampstead Heath. Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothes and trainers.

The children will have the opportunity to read every day in school, so they should ensure they bring in a suitable reading book and their reading diary every day. Reading diaries must be written in and signed 3 x a week. **Home learning will be given out on a Friday and is due in the following week.** Your child should be able to complete their home learning independently.

Important dates:

Wednesday 30th April: Royal Albert Hall Concert

Friday 9th May: Trip to London Zoo

Thursday 5th June: EarthFest

Friday 6th June: Class assembly

Thursday 26th June: Trip to Crick Institute

Friday 18th July: Sports Day

Tuesday 22nd July: Last day (close at 2pm)

If you would like to discuss anything with me, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school email admin@fleet.camden.sch.uk. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Kat Grant



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