



# Class Hazel Newsletter Summer 1<sup>st</sup> Half Term

Dear Parents,

Welcome back,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed the sunny weather (and chocolate!) This half term our topic question will be:

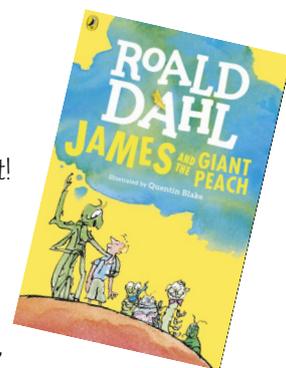
## How can I look after myself?

Throughout this topic, we will be thinking about all the different ways we can look after ourselves, including healthy eating, exercise and our mental wellbeing.



### English

Our text this half term will be **James and the Giant Peach** by Roald Dahl. Here is a preview of the book's plot! *'When he loses his parents, James is forced to go and live with his unpleasant aunts. Through a series of peculiar and magical happenings, James finds himself in a giant peach with a bunch of friendly giant insects for travelling companions. Determined to find a better life, the insects bite the great peach free from its tree and launch into an amazing journey to freedom.'* This is a great story of friendship and overcoming adversity. Through the book, we will have some fantastic writing opportunities such as diary entries, advertisements and narratives.



### Maths

In our mathematics lessons this half term, we will be continuing to work on decimal numbers including comparing, ordering, rounding, adding and subtracting. Year 4 will look at these in the context of money while Year 5 multiply and divide decimals by 10, 100 and 1000. Following on from this we will be looking at charts, line graphs and timetables. We will also continue our weekly times tables and arithmetic sessions.

### Science

Our Science topic 'Growing up and growing old'. During this topic, we will be learning about: the changes that happen as humans develop; the gestation periods of different animals and the changes that happen as we get older and enter old age.

### PE

Our days for PE will be **Monday** and **Thursday**.

### Homework

- Reading - 3-4 times per week at home (recording what page they are up to in their Reading Record)
- Mathematics /spelling - set weekly each Tuesday to be returned on the following Tuesday
- Homework project - I will discuss possible project ideas with the children.

If you have any questions during this half term, please do not hesitate to contact me.  
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