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Year 5 updates

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Dear Year 5 Parents and Carers,

Firstly, welcome to Year 5, we're really looking forward to this first half term as we have so many exciting plans in our first project. I am writing to update you on some of these events upcoming this half term.

Marathon

As I'm sure you've heard from the children, we are running a marathon and have made a great start so far. This is part of their PE across the week as we will be doing this pretty much daily, trainers need to be in everyday and stay in their lockers. This will be such an achievement for them at the end and was one of the most popular highlights of last year.

As part of our ongoing curriculum project, "Do Our Choices Really Matter?" the children will also be running this not only for themselves but to also raise money for an amazing charity: School in a bag. Affiliated with the company 'Trashy bags', who are visiting us about their amazing work to reduce plastic in Africa and repurpose it for products, we are asking the children to seek sponsorship/donations for their run.

During this half term (until Thursday 23rd October) we ask the children to take ownership and feel empowered to ask family and friends to sponsor them and donate on our fundraising page. Please use the link or QR code here:

[Link to our Just Giving Page](#)



School in a bag is a UK educational charity, which sends packed schoolbags to children across the world, enabling as many children as possible to receive a full education. Trashy bags works primarily with schools in Ghana, providing a packed Trashy schoolbag so children can also learn about the environmental impact of plastic waste as well. Each schoolbag costs £20, and we will hear about the children who benefit from our fundraiser. Our cohort will be directly contributing to another child's education, fostering the spirit of global citizenship and empathy, showing how our choices really do matter.



Big street survey

Working with John from Sustrans and My Journey Hampshire, we will be going on a local walk to complete a street survey linked to air pollution and sustainability. This directly links to our project and geography this half term. The children will wear their trainers that are in school for the marathon run.

Monday 22nd September - Hawthorn - Miss Oliver

Tuesday 23rd September - Ash - Miss Bristow

Wednesday 24th September - Maple - Miss Slack

Parent Outcome

Across the project, we know the children will be able to tell you all about some of the exciting learning that we have been up to. We would like to warmly invite you to join us for our Parent Outcome Event on Monday, 20th October, from 2pm - 2:45pm. This event will be linked to our project and will include a sharing of the children's outcomes – and if you're feeling up to it, you may want to bring your trainers too!

DT project

As part of this project, we will be exploring sewing techniques while considering our environmental impact by repurposing unused clothing into something new and useful.

To support this project, we kindly ask for your child to bring in at least 2 old/un-used t-shirts as we will be making 2 items. (Note: baby/infant aged children clothes are too small to make the item) Any other donations of clean, unused clothing or fabric that can be repurposed. Items such as old t-shirts, jumpers, or fabric scraps would be greatly appreciated. We are also accepting small items like jewels or buttons that can be added to the students' creations. Please ensure all donations are clean and safe for children to handle. Clothes with minor damage, such as a hole, are perfectly acceptable.

We request that all donations be brought into school in a bag and handed to your child's class teacher by Friday 10th October 2025.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Miss Bristow

Year 5 Leader