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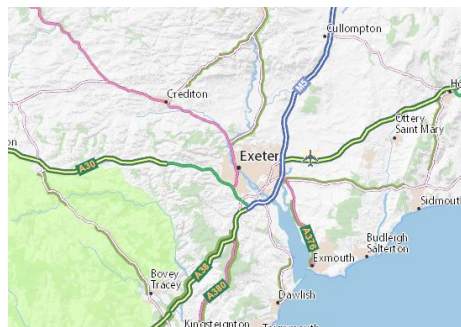
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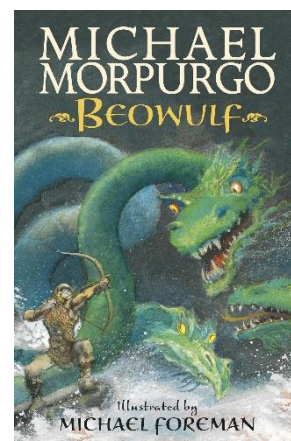
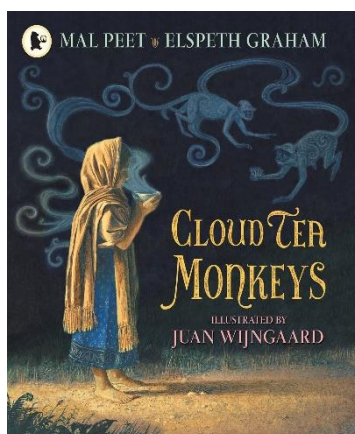
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Dear Parents/Carers of Whipton Barton Federation **Year 5** pupils,

This term, Year 5 pupils will be learning about the 'Local History of Exeter' in **History**. During this topic, the children will be learning all about the rich history that Exeter holds. Through artefacts and factual study, children will begin to explore some of the key historical context linked to our city.



This term's **English** unit is faraway fiction. Our text is called 'Cloud Tea Monkeys', which is a piece of fiction inspired by a centuries-old legend of tea-picking monkeys by Mal Peet and Elspeth Graham. They will also get the chance to study blogs and reports through a non-fiction piece called 'My Secret War Diary' by Flossie Albright by Marcia Williams. This book will offer experiences of diary entry writing based on historical facts. Also, the children will commence their journey through 'Beowulf' by a familiar author (Michael Morpurgo) in our **Guided Reading** sessions.



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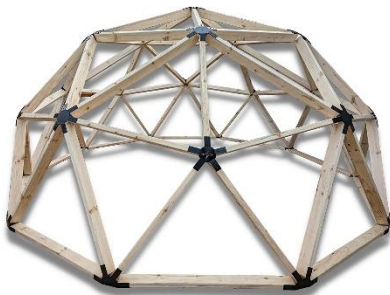


Across **Maths** lessons, we will be continuing with decimals and later on delving into the world of geometry through shapes. We will start off by understanding decimal place value, reading, writing and ordering decimals and problem solving. Then we will explore 3D shapes, as well as angles in relation to different shapes.

In **Science**, our topic in Year 5 is 'Growing Up and Growing Old' which looks closely at life cycles. The children will understand the physical changes that come along with growing older.



In **PE** our focus switches to cricket as well as the excellent opportunity to go swimming this term. Year 5 will not only get to learn the rules and skills needed to play cricket, but they will also get to grow in confidence in the water.



As well as these subjects, in **Art** we will be creating collages through our topic of Geometric Art Decoupage. In **PSHE**, we are going to be understanding how to be our best possible selves. For **MFL**, we will be learning all about the Romans and how this is important in relation to France. In **RE**, we are learning about what Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people. Finally, in relation to one of our English focus', we will be studying more about bloggers in **Computing**.

If you have any questions about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or email admin@whiptonbarton.org.

Yours sincerely,

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