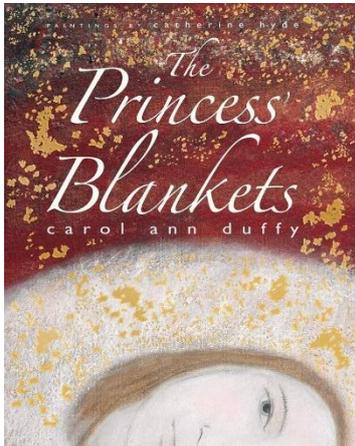




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Welcome back to school! We are both looking forward to the exciting year of learning ahead of us in class 5. Everyone has already made an impressive start.

Our learning this half term is based around 'Identity and Diversity'. For this we will be reading a picture book and modern fairytale called '**The Princess' Blankets**' by author **Carol Ann Duffy** and painter **Catherine Hyde**

This half-term **English** will consist of writing a setting description and writing a non-chronological report. In **Maths** we will be focusing on place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

- In **Geography** we will be focusing our learning around the big question '**How are the Earth's biomes different?**'.
- In **Science** we will be exploring living things and their habitats.
- In **Computing** we will be learning about computer systems and search engines.
- During **RE** we will be looking at the Muslim faith.
- **Art and Design** will see us exploring the medium of painting through the landscape works of Joseph Wright.
- For **PSHE**, we will be discussing friendships and families.
- In **Music** we will be beginning to learn our instrument – the Ukulele.
- Our sport in **Physical Education** this half term is Football and Athletics.

PE this half term will be on a Monday and Wednesday. We ask that in the interest of health and safety your children come to school wearing their PE uniform on Monday and Wednesday **ONLY**. As the weather is still unpredictable, please use long bottoms and jumpers/hoodies/fleeces as part of their kit. Earrings must be removed before PE preferably at home and hair should be tied back if long.

Homework will go out every **Friday** to be submitted by the following **Thursday**. It will consist of one piece of maths, one piece of English and one set of spellings each week. Reading is a key aspect in all parts of learning. Please help keep this up with their continued **three reads or more at home each week**.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact us through the school office email.

Kind regards

Mr Redmond and Ms Ellis  
Class 5 Teachers