



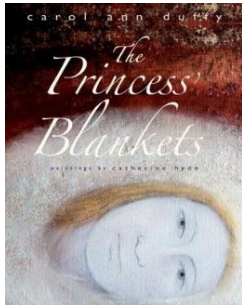
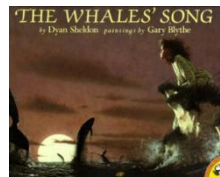
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Friday 15th September 2026

Welcome to Year 5!

We are looking forward to a new and exciting year at Richardson Endowed Primary School.



Our learning this half term is based around the global theme **Identity and Diversity**.

We will be learning all about the environment in our topic: *'How are Earth's biomes different?'*

We will be reading our core text, 'The Lost Whale,' to lead our learning and to inspire our **reading lessons**. We will use 'The Princess' Blankets' and 'The Whales' Song' to support our **writing** lessons where we will write a setting description and a diary entry.

- In our **maths** lessons, our focus will be decimals, fractions and money. Please continue to support your child at home by learning the multiplication and division facts for all tables up to 12 x 12.
- In our **Geography** lessons, we will be learning about biomes.
- In **Science**, our unit will be living things and their habitats where we will explore the environments around the world where animals live.
- In **Computing**, we will be learning about how computer systems work.
- During **RE**, we will be discussing the question, 'What is it like to be a Muslim in Britain today?'
- In **Art**, will we be exploring the landscape paintings of Joseph Wright.
- In **PSHE**, we will be learning about relationships.
- In **Music**, we will be learning to play the ukulele.
- In **Physical Education**, we will be doing Football on **Wednesday**; and on **Friday** we will be doing Athletics.

On PE days, please ensure that your child wears their PE uniform to school and keeps it on all day. Children can wear shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings with a school-coloured t-shirt and hoodie or school jumper if cold. Please remove earrings and tie back long hair. Thank you.

Homework

We will continue to set **weekly spellings** to support your child with what they are learning in class. Please continue to help and support your child with **3 reads at home per week**. We will also be setting **weekly** Maths and English homework to be completed and returned to school. Homework will be set on **Thursdays** to be returned to school the following Thursday.

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

Kind regards,

Mr Burrows