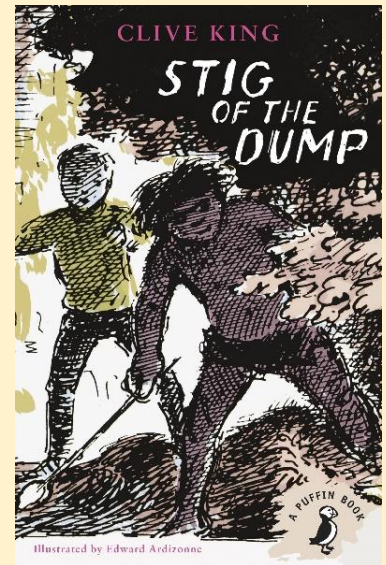


Looking Forward - Autumn Term 2026 Mrs Dale's English group -Year 5

This term our English work will be centred around a children's classic adventure book, "Stig of the Dump" by Clive King. One lesson a week, the children are encouraged to read from the text out loud to the rest of the group. During this lesson, children will develop their reading strategies- writing summaries, generating questions, making predictions and developing their vocabulary through the use of a dictionary and thesaurus. All reading comprehension will be taken from the text.



We will focus on settings, the main plot and track the development of the main characters and themes. The children will begin to use inference and deduction and learn to use evidence from the text to support their opinions. We will closely analyse the text for understanding, and look at complex sentences, powerful verbs and descriptive language as part of our GPS programme. We will also make comparisons between the text and similar scenes in a television series.



In our writing, we will cover note-taking, diary entries, recounts and character profiles. Using these profiles, we will create different styles of poetry. Following the outline of the book and using the features of the adventure genre that will have been established, the children will write their own chapter.

Homework will be set fortnightly. Please can you encourage your child to read at home and record any books they are reading in their reading record - Beano comic, Diary of a Wimpy Kid, The Lord of the Rings! etc. If you are reading any books with your child please include these too.

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