

Is it your dream to become a film star and receive an Oscar or perhaps you would prefer to perform in front of live audiences in a theatre! During the spring term, Year 5 will be learning all about the world of cinema and theatre. We have called our topic: Lights...Camera...Action!

The children will listen to the mysterious novel - 'Skellig' by David Almond. We will be comparing the book to the film and the play, writing diary entries, carrying out role-play and lots more. We will also use our artistic skills to create drawings of birds and possibly Skellig too!

We cannot study the world of theatre without learning about the famous playwright, William Shakespeare. His many plays are known worldwide and we are going to focus on a few of them - investigating the characters, plots and the language used. You never know, we might even take to the stage ourselves! We will definitely be visiting a theatre!

Can you imagine owning a theatre? In maths we will be costing it out and studying the logistics of seating arrangements etc. We will then design and make model theatres and puppets to perform our own plays as well as ball masks just as they used in Romeo and Juliet.

The history of theatre and cinema in England is amazing: the buildings, the technology, the film stars and actors - we'd better start researching now! As geographers we will use maps and atlases to locate Hollywood and Bollywood and compare the different cultures.

In science we will be learning about light and how this can have so much impact in film and on stage. We are even going to make pinhole cameras!

Towards the end of the topic we will become directors and make our own animated films using computer technology!

We have an amazing spring term ahead of us so there is only one thing left to say: ***'Break a leg!'***