

## How can I help my child's learning at home?

**There are lots of things that you can do as a parent to assist your child with their learning:**

- Try to hear your child read every night for at least 5-10 minutes – *discuss what they have read, and the meaning of new words. Enjoy this time together!*
- Help your child to achieve their reading, writing and handwriting targets.
- Practice all of the times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12
- Encourage your child to complete their homework each week.
- Tell us about achievements at home – ***every step of your child's development is important to us!***

**Useful websites for fun learning activities include:**

[www.transum.org/Tables/Times\\_Tables.asp](http://www.transum.org/Tables/Times_Tables.asp)  
[www.coolmath4kids.com/](http://www.coolmath4kids.com/)  
[www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/](http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/)  
[www.maths-games.org/](http://www.maths-games.org/)  
[www.mathsisfun.com/games/index.html](http://www.mathsisfun.com/games/index.html)  
[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/)

### Year 5

Year 5 are learning about the Anglo Saxons this term and next term they be learning about The Gunpowder Plot.

#### **Reading:**

Reading is a whole-school focus for us this year and it is essential for your child to be able to read for pleasure both in school and at home. Please ensure your child is reading a range of books, both fiction and non-fiction and talk to your child about their reading. Remember to keep logging in to your Oxford Reading Buddy. ***Please also remember write a comment in their reading record to let us know how they are getting on with their reading with you at home!***

Please ensure absences are kept to a minimum this term and that you continue to support your child with their home learning. If there is ever a problem, try to let us know as soon as possible, so that we are able to help the best that we can!

- Contact us by phone at: **01253 402936**
- Look at our school website at:  
<https://www.gateway.fcat.org.uk/>
- Find out what we've been up to on or school Twitter page at: <https://twitter.com/gatewayfcat?lang=en-gb>



## Teaching and Learning Newsletter

**Autumn Term 2020  
Year 5**

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## Writing>>>

This half term we will be using 'Talk for Writing' as a stimulus for delivering our writing units

We will be concentrating on various punctuation and grammar skills, including:

- Varying sentence openers
- Fronted adverbials
- Using commas to indicate clauses
- Subordinate clauses
- Direct speech



## Maths >>>

This term we will be covering different aspects of maths integrating problem solving and skills wherever possible.

The two main topics that will be covered are:

- Number work and place value
- Addition and subtraction
- statistics
- multiplication and division
- perimeter and area

Practise recalling your multiplication and division facts for your times tables at home.

Talk to your child about what your beliefs are. Do they have any opinions?

## Religious Education (RE)

Our key learning question in RE for this term has been:

How far would a Sikh go for his/her religion?

Next term, Year 5 will be learning about Christianity.

**Theme/Topic:**

**Year 5 have been learning about Sikhism and how Sikhs live their lives. As part of this learning, they will find out about:**

- **Places of worship**
- **Religious beliefs**
- **The 5 K's of Sikhism**

Use books from the library or the internet to help your child find out more about these things!

## The 'Arts' (PE/Music/Drama/Dance>>>

**PE-** We have completed a unit of learning on 'Football skills'. Next term Year 5 will be completing a unit of Badminton.

**Music** – We will be learning how to sing and perform 'Classroom Jazz'.

## Humanities and Science

**History:** We have learnt about the Anglo Saxons and how they lived their lives. Next term we will be learning about The Gunpowder Plot. The key question is: 'Why should gunpowder, treason and plot never be forgotten?'

**Science:** Our Topic will still be 'Earth and Space' next term.

**We will be:**

**Planning and discussing what makes a fair test in Science**

**Creating a scientific investigation around a meteor strike**