

Year 5 Newsletter

Middleton Parish Church School

Summer 2 2022

English Reading

This half term, we are going to be reading Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah. We will be answering a range of comprehension questions covering retrieval, inference, word choice; giving explanations for our answers using evidence from the text.



Writing

In writing, we will be using the story of Windrush Child as a stimulus to write a newspaper report and a formal letter to The British Government. We will ensure that we use parenthesis, semi colons, relative clauses and modal verbs.

Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



Science

This half term we are going to be carrying out Scientific Investigations and enhancing our skills of working scientifically. The children will design and carry out various different investigations; they will predict their findings and then see if they were correct!

The Scientific Method as an Ongoing Process



Reading

Class Novel

This half term we will be reading Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah. The main character, Leonard' moves to England from Jamaica to re-unite with his father, in the hope of a better life.

Reading Books and GORead!

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book, along with their vocabulary book, should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GORead.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read alongside in vocabulary books.



Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mrs Blackburn or Miss Charlesworth please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

y5@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is

office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

History

We are going to be building on our skills of historical interpretation/ investigation, chronological understanding and how events in the past have shaped the world we live in today through learning about The Windrush and answering the key question Why do People Leave their Homes?

P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School are now on Monday for Year 5. This half term we are learning the skills of rounders and athletics. In Forest School we will be exploring our DT topic of shelters; learning how to tie knots, designing and building our own shelter. Please ensure your child has the correct PE and outdoor learning kit.

PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Fake is a Mistake!' In this topic we are thinking about the images portrayed on social media and how these compare to real life.

Religious Education

In R.E. we are going to be joined by Teachers from St Anne's Academy who are going to lead The Archbishop of York weekly group sessions on Thursday afternoons. The sessions will explore some of the Christian Values and how our young people have the potential to change their communities for the better.



Maths

In maths this term we are looking at adding, subtracting and multiplying decimals.

We are continuing to practise our times tables and your support with this at home is very important.

