

Newsletter

Year 5

Summer 2023



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

Welcome to the summer term! We have a busy term ahead with lots of new exciting things within. If there is anything you want to ask me about our learning, please do not hesitate to call school to make an appointment or catch me at the end of the school day. I look forward to spending the next term learning with you!

Best wishes, Mrs Desborough

Maths

In Maths this we will be looking at:

Shape

- Negative Numbers
- Position and Direction
- **Converting Units**

- Decimals
- Volume

We will be applying our skills to word based problems throughout this term.

Please support your child in learning and revising their times tables as secure knowledge of these is so important for their progress in Year 5 and 6.



<u>RE</u>

Our RE topics this term are Pentecost and Reconciliation.

The children will learn about the importance of the Holy Spirit and how it guides us as it guided the apostles.



We will discuss the commandments and understand the need to be honest and confess our sins.

Children will also learn about looking after the world in our final topic of Stewardship.

Science



During our Earth and Space topic we are going to be learning to name the planets in Our Solar System and understand Our place in Our Universe. We will investigate the Earth's movement around the sun and in the solar system. We will also discover how the moon moves in relation to the Earth.

We will end the year by learning about Sound.

English

Our main focus in English will be linked to our key texts. We will be looking at key features of each text type to develop our knowledge. We will then use these skills and apply them in our writing work.



- Diary Entry
- Explanation Report
- Poems that convey an image
- Myths and Legends story
- Letters
- Performance Poetry

We will continue to work hard on our grammar and incorporate it into our writing. We have had a big push on handwriting last year and we will continue this. It is very important that handwriting is well formed and accurate. Handwriting lessons take place each week but please encourage your child whenever written homework is set, to present it with care and to proof read their work.



Geography

Throughout the first part of the term our geography focus will be on Settlements. We will look at our local area and how the land has been used over time and compare it to other countries in the world.

Children will learn names of different regions across the UK and be able to locate cities, towns, villages and hamlets.

Music

In music we will focus on words in the form of lyrics. We will explore the meaning of words and how we can express ourselves using them.

We will also look into how these words are performed and create music to run alongside our lyrics.



Reading

We are currently reading The Girl of Ink and Stars as our class book.

The children are encouraged to read at home for at least 20 minutes every night. Please support your child in completing their reading record each night.

The children are also encouraged to talk about their books and explain what has happened so far in their entries.

RSHE

In RSHE we will be learning about the three-part community of love, the Trinity. Children will learn to understand and appreciate the Trinity and know that the Trinity demonstrates the perfect loving community. Children will also talk abut how they can fulfil their purpose of making a difference in the world around them.



PΕ



During PE this term our topics will be Outdoor athletics and Cricket.

Children will compete in many different elements of athletics whilst learning proper form and skill to complete these correctly. Within Cricket, pupils will learn to control the ball and play matches with their peers.

Art

During this term we will be linking our artwork with science and creating our own star images. We will use different drawing and printing techniques to create our own art work.

We will also study other artists and replicate their techniques in our own work.



History

During history this term we will be learning about the problems of living on the British Home Front during WWII. The children will learn about the concept of 'Total War' fought in WWII by the Nazis and how this forced the whole British population to work together to defeat Hitler. We will learn

how the British Government and Army persuaded the nation to pull together and then evaluate how successful each area was for the war effort.

DT

In DT we will be designing and making our own deserts based on ingredients given in rations during WWII.

We will discover the nutritional value of the ingredients and how they would have helped people during the war.

Computing

This term we will be looking at 3D modelling. They will design their own 3D models to scale and demonstrate their skill in building them.



They will also learn about spreadsheets and how to organise information effectively.

Spanish

In Spanish this term we will be talking about where we live. We will learn how to speak to others, explain where we are from and use descriptions of the area—all in Spanish!