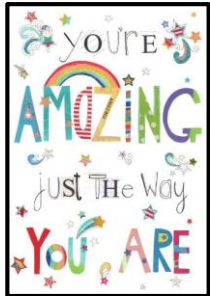




St Gregory's Catholic Academy Curriculum Newsletter Year 5

Autumn Term



Please make sure you are all connected on ClassDojo so that you do not miss any news or updates specific to Year 5.

Wellbeing



Wellbeing continues to be an important part of our curriculum this year and we will be working with the children to help them to better understand their emotions.

Religious Education

During our first topic, Ourselves, we delve into “the ideal family” which is found in the Scriptures. God is the loving parent of the human family and Jesus was born and lived in a human family. We will explore our gifts and qualities which can be developed. As we move onto the second topic, Life Choices, we explore how our lives are marked by many different experiences of being welcomed into new situations and groups.



English

In English, we will continue to reinforce previously taught punctuation and grammar. We will develop our understanding of figurative language (similes, metaphors, personification) and incorporate this into our narrative writing. The children will continue to receive weekly spellings to practise at home. We will continue to use Reading Plus, alongside reading in class, to further develop our reading skills.



Maths

We will begin with a place value topic which will include: reading and writing numbers to 1,000,000; rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000, 10,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000; comparing and ordering numbers; negative numbers; and Roman numerals. We will then consolidate our skills across the four calculations, incorporations larger numbers.



Science

Living Things and Their Habitats is our first topic this year. Within this topic, we will explore how plants and animals reproduce. And investigate the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. Our second topic is animals including humans where our focus is on the lifecycle of a human.



History / Geography

Our Geography topic will be the Japanese Tsunami of 2011. We will explore where Japan is, what happened, why it happened, the long-term and short-term effects, and the primary and secondary effects of the tsunami. In History our topic is Victorian Britain and the Industrial Revolution. We will investigate the changes that occurred in Britain during this time and discuss the development of the Stockton- Darlington railway.



The Arts

This term we will be enjoying an Art Day and a DT Day to focus our learning! To celebrate International Dot Day we will build our confidence alongside our drawing and painting skills as we explore the work of Lea Anderson. In November, we will be using our DT skills in order to help some well-loved story characters solve a range of problems. Look for the results of our learning on ClassDojo and our school website.



PE

Year 5 PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure all children are dressed in the appropriate PE kit. This term we will be doing tag rugby followed by fitness development.



MFL

Hola!
We will be starting our topic with some basic greetings such as hello, goodbye and good morning. This will help us to have simple conversations with each other.

