



Class 5 Newsletter

Spring 2023



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Maths

Number and Place Value – We will begin the term by recapping place value and partitioning numbers so we have a good understanding of tens and ones.

Addition and Subtraction – During  our addition and subtraction topic, we will begin to add and subtract 2-digit numbers!

Multiplication and Division – We will continue to practise our recall of our times tables and use this knowledge to solve problems.

Fractions – We will use of division knowledge to find fractions of numbers.

We will recap previous learning throughout our maths lessons.

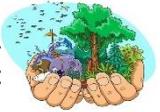
Times Table Rock Stars - TTRS

Your child has their own TTRS account which they can use to practise their times tables.

TTRS: [Times Tables Rock Stars \(trockstars.com\)](https://www.trockstars.com)

R.E

This term in RE we will be looking at the topics:

Special People – We will be learning about people in our lives who help us and the special things we see in church. 

Meals – The children will be finding out about the story of 'The Last Supper' and about the special meal we share during Mass.

Change - As we move towards Easter, the children will learn how the world we live in is always changing. We will start the topic by thinking of how much we have changed and grown. We will be linking our work to 'The Easter Story' towards the end of the term.

RSE

In RSE we will focus on feelings, how we feel and how others feel. We will also learn about the importance of privacy.

English

This term we will begin by looking at different traditional tales. We will focus on Hansel and Gretel and use this story to create a newspaper report. To link to our topic of special people in RE, we will read the Rainbow Fish and create our own stories about another special animal with unique features. The rest of the term, our writing will link to our Geography and History and we will develop our non-fiction, persuasive and descriptive writing, through the creation of leaflets, posters and biographies.

Spellings: Your child will be given weekly spellings which they can practise at home using the look, write check method. It is also useful to apply their spellings to sentences.

Reading: – MyOn & Renaissance: Every child has a login for MyOn and Renaissance, where they have been allocated books that match their reading ability. Once they have completed a book, they can then complete the comprehension quiz and gain points! We use MyOn in addition to the reading books they are allocated in school.

MyOn: <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/index.html>

Renaissance: <https://ukhosted35.renlearn.co.uk/6709574/default.aspx>

History – Rosa Parks and Emily Davison

We will be studying the life of influential women and why they are remembered, with a focus on activists. We will explore each woman and describe how they have impacted the world we live in today.



The Learn It, Link It topic information sheet can be found in your child's homework book.

Science – Living Things and Their Habitats

During this topic of Living Things and Their Habitats, we will explore different habitats that can be found around the world, including microhabitats that are around the school grounds. We will also learn about a significant person; Jane Goodall and we will write a biography about her achievements. After the half term we will focus our learning on plants.



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Geography – In the City

Our geography learning will continue with learning about cities. We will explore the human and physical features of cities within the UK and locate them on a map. We will then compare cities, like London, to our home town and places within our locality and list the advantages and disadvantages of living in both.

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Other Curriculum Areas:

PE: For PE, we will be focusing on gymnastics and how we can balance and move on apparatus.

Music: Our music lessons will allow us to explore the well-known rhyme of Once a Man Fell in the Well and develop our use of instruments to create rhythms.

Computing: We will use Purple Mash for Computing and continue to develop our computing skills.

MFL: We will have weekly Spanish lessons where we will learn simple words and phrases, and how to count to 10.

Art & DT: During Art week, we will explore the work of Frida Kahlo and recreate her work through printing and collage. We will also learn about construction. During DT week, we will be making our very own smoothies.

Polite Reminders

Children need to bring their reading records, reading books and spelling books into school every day. Please continue to encourage your child to read daily and sign their records with any comments of praise and areas for development.

Class 5 need to wear their PE kit on Tuesdays – this should be a plain navy-blue tracksuit/shorts with a plain white t-shirt. Girl's hair should be tied up with bobbles and hair bands that are the school colours. Boys hair should not be extremely short and hair gel/spray is not permitted. For more information regarding school uniform and PE kits, please visit:

[School Uniform – St Joseph's Catholic Academy Norton \(bhcet.org.uk\)](http://bhcet.org.uk)



If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office to arrange a telephone call.

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