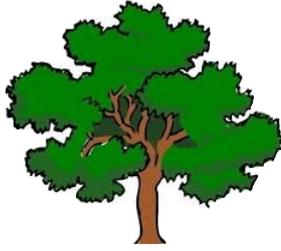


Year 5 Autumn Term Newsletter.



Welcome to Year Five! We hope that you have enjoyed your summer. This information sheet will give a broad outline of the work your child will be undertaking this term. We hope you will find it useful. If you have any queries, please see your child's class teacher. In our teaching, we make cross-curricular links with other subjects to not only enhance and embed the children's learning, but also for their enjoyment. These links are detailed below.

MATHEMATICS:

In maths, we will be looking at numbers in real life and relating them to problem solving, as well as covering the four operations.

ENGLISH:

In English this term, we will be basing our work on the fabulous books by Roald Dahl. Our work will also be related to our topic work in Science and History. A wide range of writing genres will be covered.

SCIENCE:

The Science units this term are 'life cycles' and 'Earth and Space.' In November, there will be a surprise celestial visit from space...

TOPIC:

The history topic this half-term is Victorian Britain. The children will learn about Queen Victoria and about society around the time of her reign. The topic will look at Britain in general as well as focusing on Wallington and Carshalton.

In Geography we will be getting our bearings around European countries.

R.E.:

For Re we will be looking at Hinduism and learning about Remembrance.

Remembrance service: On Friday 10th November, year 5 will be taking part in a reflective remembrance service at Holy Trinity Church. This year we will be reflecting on the history of World War 1 as well as 2, thinking about why it is important to remember those who fought in the wars for this country. We look forward to seeing you there to share and remember with us.

P.S.H.E: In PSHE we will set goals for the achievements we want to reach in the year. Actions, consequences and anti-bullying will also be on the agenda.

ART: Our art focus this term is Still life and the works of famous artists from the Victorian era. We will attempt to replicate the work of William Morris.

P.E./GAMES: In PE we will be developing our Hockey skills, Leadership skills, Gymnastics and Dance.

All classes will be swimming in the Spring term.



READING: Please ensure that your child brings in their reading book and reading record every day. Children have a reading book to bring home from school but are also most welcome to read their own choices of book. All children will be heard reading in class during guided reading. Individual reading will also take place.

TIMESTABLES: Practise your times tables every night for at least 10 minutes; it is essential to have a good understanding of your times tables, as we use them every day. The school has also introduced a fun, new times table's initiative called: 'Times Table Rockstars!' We hope that you enjoy this app/website and use it to practise and challenge your friends. Usernames and passwords for the children were given out during parents evening and have been stuck in homework diaries.

HOMEWORK: Children will receive their homework on a Friday and it is due in on the following Wednesday. It will consist of English homework sometimes relating to the genre during the lesson (e.g. instructions or newspaper articles.) Also spelling practise and SPaG homework, where children will need to practise the grammar or punctuation skill learnt that week. Finally, one piece of maths; this will either be written work from the skill they have been learning in the lesson, or online Mathletics practise.

Homework will be given out and collected as follows:

Subject	Day	Hand in by/diary signed by	Response
Reading (10 minutes)	Daily	Friday	Fill in your diary reading record.
Maths (20 minutes)	Friday	Wednesday	Complete task and hand in.
English - Spellings (20 minutes)	Friday	Wednesday	Complete task and hand in.
Topic / Science	Autumn 2: Sound Project (Science) Summer 1: Tudor Project (Topic)	Date given by class teacher	Complete task and hand in.

CONTACT: Teachers are usually available for quick queries at the end of the school day. Please write any notes in your child's reading record and ask your child to show this to their teacher at the start of the school day. If a matter needs a longer discussion, please write to your child's teacher to make an appointment at a mutually convenient time.

We hope your child settles in quickly and enjoys their first term at Holy Trinity and we will do our best to ensure this.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 5 Team