



YEAR 5
Autumn 2017

Teacher: Miss Thomas

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I hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday and enjoyed a well-deserved break. I have heard lots of lovely things about this class, so am very much looking forward to teaching them this year. It has been great to see their smiley faces coming into school this week and I know they will work very hard this year.

Here is an overview of what we will be learning during the Autumn term:

R.E.	ENGLISH	MATHS
<p><u>Creation</u> * Explore our responsibility as co-creators of God's creation. * Show understanding of the words that St. Paul uses and how they influence our lives today.</p> <p><u>Prayers, Saints and Feasts</u> * How the work of Jesus is illustrated through different prayers. * Know about pilgrimage and why people choose to go on them.</p> <p><u>Advent</u> * Know and understand the titles used by the Old Testament prophets to describe Jesus. * To understand that we think about the second coming of Jesus in Advent.</p> <p><u>Christmas</u> * The implications of the Christmas story for us today.</p>	<p>We will be reading Running Wild by Michael Morpurgo for at least the first half-term. Whilst reading it, most of our English work will be based around it.</p> <p>We will also be covering a range of genres including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Descriptive writing • Adventure stories • Non-chronological reports • Recounts <p>We will be continuing to work on SPAG (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation).</p> <p>Our main focus in writing will be punctuation, ensuring the children can consistently punctuate their work correctly.</p> <p>We will be doing reading comprehensions and other reading skills at least twice a week.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Place Value for up to 1 million. * Rounding, ordering and comparing numbers up to 1 million. * Addition and subtraction - column addition and column subtraction. * Multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12 (ongoing throughout the year) * Multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100. * Written method for multiplication and division (including multiplying 2 digit by 2 digit) * Fractions - equivalent fractions, comparing fractions, fractions of amounts, adding and subtracting fractions. * Decimals – rounding, ordering and comparing. * Time * Angles * Representing and interpreting data. * Problem solving involving all of the above areas of maths <p>Weekly arithmetic lessons, mental maths and times tables tests.</p>

SCIENCE	P.E.	HISTORY	I.C.T
<p>Healthy Living Materials</p>	<p>Netball Tag Rugby</p>	<p>Britain's settlements by Anglo-Saxons and Scots.</p> <p>The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England.</p>	<p>Internet Safety. Developing games through coding</p>

P. E. - This will normally take place on Monday and Thursday. Please ensure that P.E kit is in school every day, as it may be required for additional games activities and that all kit is named. The children must have trainers or plimsolls in school every day as we will be starting some mornings with a 5 minute run.

PPA - During my planning and preparation time on a Wednesday afternoon, the children will be taught Science and either Art or Music by Mrs Walls.

Reading – Children will not be having a reading diary this year, but I still expect them to be reading for 20 minutes per day. They will bring home a bookmark to fill in every time they read. Once they have completed the bookmark, they will hand it in so that we can monitor how much reading they are doing. The children have all been given a book challenge for the year, to encourage them to read a wide variety of texts and authors. I look forward to seeing who completes the challenge.

Homework - In Year 5, homework is set twice a week and should usually take your child between 30-45 minutes to complete. The homework sheets will be the same format as last year and the children will be continuing from where they left off. It is important that the children are organised in handing it in on time, as if they do not hand it in, they will be completing the homework in their lunchtime. I will be free at lunch time on a Wednesday to help any child who has any problems with their homework, so please encourage them to come and ask me. Homework will be set on the following days:

Tuesday – English, which is due in the following Monday.

Friday – Maths, which is due in the following Thursday.

Times tables – I know the children worked hard at learning their times tables last year. We will continue to work on times tables this year, as it is very important that they are able to quickly recall them and the matching division facts.

Spellings – I will be sending home spelling lists for the children to learn each week and they will be tested on these on a Friday. Please support your child in helping them to learn their spellings. If you would like different ideas as to how they can learn them, please ask.

School trip – Year 5 will be going to Leeson House for a 3 day, 2 night residential. The dates for the visit are **Wednesday 16th – Friday 18th May 2018.** The residential visit will cost approximately £125. We had a fantastic time there in April this year, so I'm very excited (along with the children!) to be going again next May. You will be receiving more information about this later on in the term.

Advent Service – Year 5 and Year 6's Advent Service will be on Monday 4th December at 7pm at St, Joseph's Church. It is expected that all the children will attend. This is always a lovely service and a great start to Advent.

Water - Please provide your child with a named water bottle to keep in school so that they are able to access water during lessons, especially as the weather continues to be warm.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or queries regarding your child. Come and see me in the playground after school and an appointment can be made if necessary. I look forward to meeting you all at parents evening at the end of September.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Thomas