

Important dates for Year 5:

Thursday 17th October – Parent consultations (evening)

Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – Half term

Monday 11th November – Macbeth theatre trip

Friday 20th December – End of term – School closes at 1.30pm

How can I help at home?

- ✓ Please help your child to be organised with their time to ensure homework is completed.
- ✓ Four pieces should be handed in by Christmas but the children may do more if they wish, at least one should be done from each column. This should include a piece of R.E homework.
- ✓ Help your child to be organised –
 - Are there any letters for me in your bag?
 - Have you got your reading book?
 - Pencil case?
 - Is your completed homework in there too?
- ✓ The children should have a PE kit in school every day. They should come equipped with a black pen (rollerball or handwriting type), a pencil and a ruler.
- ✓ Please continue to read with the children at home. A variety of types of reading – them to you, you to them, or silent reading, are all worthwhile.

Ss Alban and Stephen Catholic Junior School



Year 5 Parent Information Booklet

What your child will be learning about this term and how you can help at home

Autumn Term 2019

LITERACY

Throughout the term we will be reading and comparing various Greek Myths, leading up to the children writing their own Greek-style myth. We will also take part in a Macbeth workshop and then study the play as inspiration for our own writing.

We will also look at a variety of non-fiction texts and poetry in order to build the children's vocabulary and develop their understanding of different genres.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Please encourage your children to practice their spellings each week and ask them about their learning. If you would like to revise or practice grammar learning, please have a look at

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/

MATHS

We will be revising and extending our knowledge of place value to numbers up to 1,000,000. We will apply this knowledge to the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and work on improving our calculation fluency and the different strategies available to us, as well as applying this knowledge to real life problems.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Please keep practicing the times tables up to 12, as all children should know them by now. BBC Bitesize is a useful revision tool:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/>. Please encourage the children to use Times Table Rockstars to practise their tables, as knowledge of these will be vital in our upcoming maths topics.

R.E.

Ourselves

We will look at our 'Gifts from God' and how we can use these to help spread the Good News and make the world a better place.

Belonging

This unit examines our relationships with others and how our faith helps to shape these relationships and keep them positive.

Hope

We consider the arrival of Jesus and how this is a time when the whole world is hopeful for the future.

Judaism

We will consider the importance of the Jewish festival of Passover.

FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

History

We will look at the civilization of the Ancient Greeks:

- What legacy did they leave?
- Why are they still important today?
- What can we learn from artefacts from the past?

After half term we will study the First World War, linking this with the idea of Remembrance.

- What caused the war?
- What was life like for soldiers during the war?
- What was the aftermath of the war?
- Why is this still relevant today?

Art/ D.T.

We will examine Ancient Greek pottery, patterns and architecture and think about their impact on modern civilization.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: Please could all children have an old shirt or art apron in school that they could use when we are using paint.

Science

Forces

We will study different forces around us and consider their impact on our lives. We will think about how forces can help and hinder us and how we can reduce or increase certain forces to assist us.

Properties of Materials

We will think about how materials can change state and what causes these changes. We will look at how materials can be separated and different ways we can do this, thinking about the properties of these materials.

P.E.

Invasion games including tag rugby.

Music

This term we will be learning about musical structure and form across different genres and creating rhythms using musical notation.

Computing

We will look at our online presence and how we can stay safe online, including making secure passwords. We will also use Scratch to make simple games.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: Remind children of their responsibility to stay safe online and always use trusted websites. They should not have any social media accounts and all other accounts (such as online games) should be monitored at all times.

In **MFL** the children will learn how to say different foods in French, express their likes and dislikes and compare the food in France and England in the context of celebrations.