

St Francis' Catholic Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter



Year 5

Year Group and Staff

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Teachers: Mrs Kieran and Ms Logan

Support Staff: Mrs Zariat

English



This term we will be exploring a range of imagery and writing our own poetry using a variety of poetic devices. We will also continue to focus on the development of reading skills through our comprehension sessions.

The two books that we will be using as the basis of our English lessons are "Just so Stories" by Rudyard Kipling and "Clockwork" by Philip Pullman. From which, we will be learning to write effective story openings, how to write a narrative and writing poems in the style of Rudyard Kipling.

Maths

The children will be learning about numbers and our number system. We will be developing further our mental and written methods for calculation.

We will also continue to work on our problem solving skills.



Science

Earth and Space

We will be exploring the movement of the Earth and other planets.

Properties and Changes of Materials

We will be learning to compare and group everyday materials on the basis of their properties



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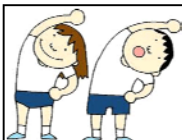
For RE lessons we will be using *Come and See* to look at the following topics.

Ourselves - Created in the image and likeness of God. *11th September—29th September*

Life Choices - Marriage, commitment and service. *9th October—10th November*

Judaism—Passover. *13th November- 17th November*

Hope - Advent: waiting in the joyful hope for Jesus, the promised one. *20th November—end of term*



PE

Please ensure that your child brings appropriate PE kit on Monday and takes it home to wash on a Friday.

Lessons will take place on **Thursdays**

Children will be developing further their knowledge and skills in games and athletics over the term.

Music



The ECAM instrument music lessons will continue for Y5s this term and will take place on **Thursdays**

(Starting the 21st September)

Please ensure that your child brings their instrument to school on their allocated day.

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Foundation Subjects

Geography—In our Volcanoes & Earthquakes lessons we will be learning about their features, formation and discover how they are distributed around the world.

Art & Design - We will be exploring work of Margret Godfrey and creating volcanic 'layer pictures' inspired by her work.

History— This term we will be studying an aspect of Black History. Then we will learn about the Second World War in Europe and why the Battle of Britain was such a significant turning point in British History.



Computing



We are cryptographers

Year 5 will be tackling Computational Thinking, learning how to crack codes.

Creating Pictures

In these lessons, children recreate a still-life image in the style of a famous artist.

PSHE



We will exploring aspects of Citizenship and the issues of bullying throughout the autumn term.

Homework



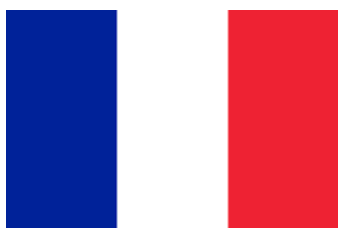
Children are expected to complete their own homework, however, parents need to sign it before it is handed in to confirm that homework is of an acceptable standard.

Homework is given out on **Friday** and is due back on **Tuesday**.

Please note that any homework deemed unsatisfactory because of poor presentation, poor handwriting and general organisation, will **not** be marked. Your child will be expected to repeat the work to a suitable standard.

MFL - French

In French, we will be learning to describe places and common household objects.



Extra! Extra! Read all about it!



Please read with your child regularly using a range of reading material e.g. books, newspapers, magazines etc. Encourage your child to discuss with you their reading.