

# St Francis' Catholic Primary School

## Summer Term

### Curriculum Newsletter



# Year 5

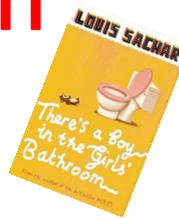
## Year Group and Staff

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**Teachers:** Mr. Reily & Mrs. Baptiste  
**Support Staff:** Staff: Mrs Cudjoe, Mrs Patel & Ms Dai

## English

This term we will continue reading 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom' by Louis Sachar, then we will be reading



'Skellig' by David Almond. These books will be used to develop skills in writing poetry, diary entries, recounts, reports and persuasive writing.



We will also continue to focus on the development of reading skills through our comprehension sessions.

## Maths



The children will be developing a wider range of mental and written methods for calculations and applying them to more complex word problems. We will also be exploring fractions - including how to multiply fractions - and revising area and perimeter.

It is very important that the children continue to practice times tables regularly - please remember to use TTRockstars every day!

## Science

This term we will be studying the 'Material World' - exploring and sorting different materials according to their properties and exploring what they are used for. We will also be making our own solutions and mixtures.

After that, we will be looking at the 'Amazing Changes' around us, studying why and how different chemicals react with each other and how these reactions are used.



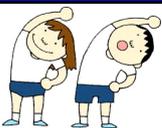
## R.E.

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

**STEWARDSHIP:** The church is called to the stewardship of Creation. *19th April - 7th May* \*This will include our Citizenship Studies\*

**TRANSFORMATION:** Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power *17th May—11th June*

**FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY:** Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible *14th June—2nd July*



## PE

Please ensure that your child brings appropriate PE kit on the correct day.

Lessons will take place on **Friday**.

Children will be developing further their knowledge of dance and gymnastics.

## Music



We will continue our exploration of Music History this term, as well as being part of an exciting singing project called 'Newham Harmony'. Run jointly by Newham Music and Stratford Circus Arts Centre, the children will be learning specially chosen songs and participating in virtual workshops run by tutors from Newham Music and young leaders from Stratford Circus.

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## History & Geography

**History**—This half term, we will be studying the Kingdom of Benin context of the big picture of African cultural history. We will be exploring artefacts from Benin and following the important events and people of the Benin Kingdom.

**International Studies** —The second half of the term we will be studying The Republic of the Philippines. We will be exploring the geography, culture and art of this vibrant and rich country. We would love any parents with a knowledge of the Philippines to volunteer their expertise—please let us know!



## Computing

In Computing we will be exploring and making decisions about the best programmes to use to complete a given task. This will help the children understand how computing technology can help us with all sorts of everyday tasks. We will be developing our skills in controlling and programming devices.



## French



### À l'école

In French we will be learning vocabulary about school and our daily routines. We will also be exploring French Grammar rules, ensuring the adjectives we use are appropriate.



## Homework

Most homework will now be set on Google Classroom, timed to appear for the children at 3:30pm on Fridays. It needs to be completed by before school on the following Tuesday morning and will consist of a Maths task and a Grammar or Comprehension task. Please check over your child's work before it is submitted to ensure it is their best work.

Spellings will also be given each week. Spelling tests will be each Thursday.

## PSHE

This term we will be following our **JOURNEY IN LOVE: (10th -14th May)**, when we will be exploring how God loves us in our changing and development.

During these changing times, we will be continuing our work on Well-being, completing various mindfulness activities in class.



## Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

In order for your child to make progress in all subjects, it is important that they read a range of books regularly.

Children love reading with an adult, so please read with your child using a range of material e.g. newspapers, magazines etc. encouraging them to talk about the content as you read together.

The children should bring a school reading book home each **Monday**. This should be brought back to school on the following **Thursday** to be changed.

