

General Information and Reminders

PE

PE will take place on Fridays. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE uniform in school every day:

- blue shorts/tracksuit trousers
- a grey t shirt
- plimsolls or a change of trainers for outside

Please ensure all clothes and plimsolls are clearly labelled with your child's name.

PE in Year 5 is taught by Mr Spadaccini. The children will also be going to Hampstead Heath on **Thursday afternoons** with Year 6. This is a reasonable walk from school so please ensure that children do have tracksuit trousers, trainers and waterproof coats.



Trips/Virtual Visits

- Thames River Explorer (date TBC)
- Globe Theatre (date TBC)
- Museum of London (date TBC)

Homework

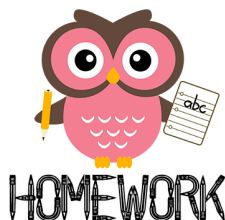
Homework will be sent home on *Thursdays* and is due back the following *Tuesday*.

Spellings and mental maths will be sent home on *Thursday* and tested on *Tuesday*.

Homework will cover a range of tasks and subjects over the term.

In addition, children will be expected to read regularly and learn weekly spellings and mental maths.

If you feel that your child has spent sufficient time on his/her homework but has not finished the work set that is fine. We all work at different levels, so ensure your child achieves what is appropriate for his/her ability.



Class assembly

Our class assembly this term will take place on **Thursday 7th October**. All parents, carers and family members are warmly invited!

Reminders

- Please ensure all school clothes are named to prevent items getting lost.
- If your child is absent from school, please phone the school office on the first day of absence.
- Your child has been given a Christ Church water bottle. Please make sure your child's water bottle is in school every day.
- **Please do not send sweets or any food/non-food items into school to celebrate birthdays, we are unable to hand these out to the other children in the class. Thank you.**



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Welcome to Year 5

Autumn Term 2021



Year Five

Class Teacher: Mrs Pagnello

Support Staff: Mrs Maguire

Other adults working with Y5: Mr Spadaccini (PE) and Mr Oliver (Music)

Welcome to Year 5! I hope you all had a wonderful and well-deserved summer break. This leaflet outlines our class topics and general information for this term. We have already been working very hard and are enjoying our new class topics. If you have any worries or concerns or would like further information about this term's curriculum, please do not hesitate to email or book an appointment to discuss these with me.

Kind regards, Mrs Kathryn Pagnello

Happiness Project

Throughout the autumn term, we will be running our whole school Happiness Project. We have been running our Happiness Project successfully for a number of years in different formats but this year we intend to cover the weekly themes in more detail. Some of the themes (which all aim to promote positive mental health and wellbeing) you will hear your child talking about are: giving, celebrating difference, resilience, simplicity and trying something new. We are also going to link our Autumn Christ Church Arts Project (CAP) to these themes, so keep an eye out for our amazing art work and our eagerly anticipated calendar!

English



We will begin by reading Shakespeare's, 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' as part of our learning about classical play scripts. We will also be learning about 'Macbeth', 'The Tempest' and 'Romeo and Juliet'. We will use the plays to inspire lots of creative writing and we will also be writing some of our own play scripts towards the end of our topic.

Maths



We will be covering a range of topics:

- Number and Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Statistics
- Multiplication and Division
- Measure: Perimeter and Area
- Fractions

Computing



We will be using programs such as Word and Power Point to create presentations about rivers and to publish some of our written work. We will also use Rodocodo to create functions, loops and to debug.

RE



We will start by learning about the life of Jesus Christ, in particular thinking about the miracles he performed. One of the questions we will consider is if people have to visit a specific place for miracles to happen or whether faith is all you need. Then as a short topic, we will consider what wisdom is and what we can learn from it. As part of this, we will look at proverbs from the Bible. At Christmas time, we will consider how the Christmas story is represented through art and music and how this can help people to express their own faith.

History



We will be learning about the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings, considering the way in which they settled on our shores. We will learn how the Anglo-Saxons invaded Britain and how they lived their lives, including how their kingdoms were ruled. We will also learn about the Domesday book, the events of 1066 and their impact on Britain.

Geography



We will be learning about mountains and rivers, investigating how they are formed, where major mountain ranges and rivers are and how the water cycle links the two. We will also choose some mountains and rivers to research in more detail and consider the effects of tourism in these environments and whether this is a positive thing.

PSHE



Our PSHE topics match well with our Happiness Project, this means we will have two PSHE weeks. The first will take place week commencing 8th November 2021, focusing on positive relationships. In Year 5 we will be learning about strategies to improve or support courteous, respectful relationships. Our second will be the week after focusing on diversity. We will be learning about challenging stereotypes and we will become Anti Bullying Champions!

PE



In PE lessons with Mr Spadaccini this term, the children will be focusing on rounders. They will be working on throwing with greater accuracy, control and efficiency of movement using pulling, pushing and slinging action. They will also work on their striking skills.

Music



As musicians it is vital that we can establish a steady pulse and use that as a foundation to play a variety of exciting rhythms to different tempos. This term we will be applying these musical principles to compose and perform STOMP inspired body percussion pieces.

Art



We will be designing and making Anglo-Saxon brooches, responding to examples of historic art and design and developing skills and techniques in manipulating modelling clay. We will also be creating art for our school art exhibition, taking inspiration from famous artists.

Design Technology

We will be making gingerbread biscuits as Christmas gifts, thinking specifically about how to use a range of techniques such as mixing and baking and thinking about culture and seasonality in food.

Please see the reverse for general reminders and some key dates!