

Year 5 Newsletter—Advent

Welcome to Year 5!

I hope you all had a great summer and managed some well deserved family time. Year 5 is a very important year and I know you will support me in giving your child the very best they deserve. Below I have briefly outlined what we will be learning this half term.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's happiness and education please feel free to contact me via Dojo, speak to me in the play-ground before or after school or call the school office to arrange a phone call.

Many thanks

Mrs Fraser



English

Writing

This half term we will be looking at Greek Mythology and writing character descriptions, narratives, non-chronological reports and instruction writing. We will then move on to looking at 'Jabberwocky' which is a nonsense poem written by Lewis Carroll and writing our own nonsense poetry.

Grammar

We will be getting ready to write by looking back at pronouns, expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials, plural and possessive apostrophes and direct and indirect speech before learning about relative pronouns and clauses.

Spelling

Attached is a copy of this half terms spellings which children will be tested on each Friday. At St Peter's we follow the 'Words their way' spelling scheme therefore activities based on the spellings set will be carried out daily.

Reading

Our guided reading text this half term is 'Atticus and the Ancient Greeks', alongside our weekly guided reading text your child will be taught the skills they need to become a reflective and competent reader in a discrete reading comprehension session. Reading books will be sent home, it is expected that your child reads regularly, to and adult, even if they are a competent reader and this is recorded in their reading record book. We will also visit the school library, where your child can select a book to read for pleasure, on Friday mornings. If your child wishes to change their library book please ensure it is in school on this day.

Maths

We will start the half term by looking at Roman Numerals to 1,000 before moving on to reading and writing, comparing, partitioning and putting numbers to 1,000,000 on a number line, We will also understand powers to 10 and rounding numbers within 1,000,000.

Weekly times tables and mental maths test will continue on a Friday.

Science

Forces - explore that unsupported objects fall to the Earth because of the force gravity, identify the effects of resistance and friction and recognise that levers and pulleys allow for a smaller force to have a greater effect.

RE

Ourselves - Each person is made in the image and likeness of God. To know and to appreciate that our value and uniqueness is central to our wellbeing.

Life Choices - Through Baptism the Christian is called to a life of holiness and to the mission of spreading The Good News.

PE

PE will take place on a Wednesday and Thursday, please make sure full PE kit is in school on these days and earring can be removed.

Invasion Games - Developing dribbling and pushing skills with a hockey stick.

Athletics - Balance and spatial awareness with running over obstacles, throwing, sprinting, jumping sequences and relay takeovers.

French

Salut Gustav - Developing vocabulary on how to greet each other and ask questions including asking about brothers and sisters.

Computing

E-safety - Continue to understand how to use technology safely, understand Spam, learn how to create powerful passwords and learn about false photography.

Scratch - Continue to learn how to design, write and debug programmes to accomplish a specific goal and use logical reasoning to explain simple algorithms.

History

Ancient Greece - Locate Greece, learn about Greek Gods and Goddesses, Athens and Sparta, Daily Life in Ancient Greece, the Olympic Games and the Battle of Marathon.

Art and D/T

Making Greek clay pots, Greek honey cakes and pencil sketches of Medusa.

Music

Pulse - Maintaining a sense of pulse creating simple rhythmic pieces.

PSHE

Difference and Diversity - Recognising the factors that make people different.

Being Me - Exploring different kinds of responsibilities.

Dates for the diary

Thursday 14th September - Whole School Mass - Church - 9.30am

Friday 15th September - Year 5 AOW - School hall - 9.15am

Tuesday 26th & Thursday 28th September - Parents Evening

Friday 13th October - School closes for Half Term