



Year 5 News

Welcome to Year 5! It is so amazing to see all the children back in the classroom after such a long time apart. We have missed them!

Now is the time to try and get back into a more normal every day routine (as much as possible!) Below details what the children will be learning throughout the first half term.

Come and See

The starting topic is 'Family'. We will sensitively explore the ideas of what family can mean to us all, and the joys of belonging to God's family. We will explore a deepening awareness of 'Who I am' and 'ourselves' as made in the image and likeness of God.

ROAR

ROAR is an initiative that is being implemented in school to help the children look at their mental health - understand what it is and strategies to help them to cope with their ever changing emotions and feelings. We will be looking at this in more detail with the children over the term including how to deal with stress, resilience, emotional literacy, unhelpful thoughts, worry etc.

English

We will be focusing on using a varied mix of sentence types and punctuation to help the children with their descriptive and narrative story writing, beginning by using the text 'Varjak Paw' by SF Said as our stimulus. We will be looking at gaps in spellings that may have arisen from time away from school and begin to respond to those as well as beginning to study spellings from the Year 5 programme of study. We will also be issuing new reading books this week in line with our new Accelerated Reading program

Maths

We begin the term with a place value focus before moving on to addition and subtraction as well as a sustained focus throughout the year on reasoning questions, where the children will be asked to apply their understanding to real world problems.

Science

This term the focus will be on The Earth and the Solar System, where we will look at the organisation of the planets and how they move in relation the Sun and also how the Moon moves in relation to the Earth. We will also be looking at the dimensions of the solar system and the vast dimensions involved and how we can model them. There will be further opportunities to investigate scientists associated with the field.

History

We will be studying aspects of the Ancient Egyptians - their culture and society. We will investigate how the River Nile sustained and impacted on and shaped the life of the people and how it helped to form a great civilisation. We will also investigate the beliefs of the Egyptians and their famous architecture.

PE

Due to the current situation, the children at this time will be unable to participate in contact sports until further notice. Therefore, PE for the first half term will focus on personal physical challenges such as hand/eye coordination challenges.

Computing

The children will be focussing on Scratch - a programme that enables the children to build their skills of computer coding.

Music

We will be focussing on the skills of listening and appraising musical pieces and be able to recognise basic style indicators.

Class Information

Twitter - @mralexStambrose

The children have been given new logins for Seesaw and Spelling Shed. They can be found in their planners (Spelling Shed at the front and Seesaw in the back)

Here's to a great year ahead! Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any worries or concerns. We know this is a particularly worrying time and we want to alleviate this as much as possible.

Mrs McCann and Mr Alexander