



Curriculum Newsletter for Year five Autumn 1 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first half term of the year. This will be a busy half-term for the children; they will be settling into their new classes and getting to know the adults working with them. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE is on Tuesday; please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them.

Homework will go out Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time.

Our Topic for this half term is Alfred the Great.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will be learning about traditional tales and legends and as the term progresses, we will start to read non-fiction and poetry texts.

Our spelling, grammar and punctuation focus include using commas to clarify, use of clauses and using dictionaries and thesauruses to find alternative words.

In Numeracy our key skills focus will be on place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, measures and problem solving.

We need to be extra efficient using and applying our tables up to 12.

In Jewish Studies we will be focussing on the Jewish festivals of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Simchat Torah as well as brushing up on our Tefillah skills.

In Humanities our History focus is on the Anglo Saxons and the life of Alfred the Great. We will identify chronology, research main events and identify causes and consequences as a result.

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Our Science topic this half term will be on 'Sound'. We will explore the relationship between volume and vibrations through planning and carrying out scientific enquiries.

In RE we will be learning about Christian values in the world today and exploring some of our own values.

Our theme for PSHCE this term is 'Being Responsible'. We will be discussing our responsibilities within school and outside.

In PE we will be working on our tennis skills with particular focus on our hand-eye coordination.

In Art/DT we will be developing our weaving technique.

In ICT we will be advancing our research skills with particular focus on our topic and Jewish Studies.