



Curriculum Information for Parents

Summer Term 1

Year

5

Literacy and Maths

Literacy:

This half term Year 5 will be looking at different writing genres, including: writing instructions, recounting a science investigation, persuasive advertisement posters, information texts and poetry. Within our Spelling lessons, we will continue to work on our strategies as well as handwriting – with a special focus on our key words for the DLP Spelling Bee.

Maths:

During Numeracy, your child will be looking at Properties of Shape (recognising angles and 3D shapes), Position & Direction (Lines of symmetry and translations), Converting between Units and Volume. We will continue to consolidate our previous learning through our daily flashbacks to ensure our knowledge sticks ready for Year 6.

Topics

Week 1: MAKE YOU FEEL MY LOVE

In this music topic we will be looking at the artist Adele and the song 'Make you feel my love'. The children will be taught who wrote the original version of the song and be given the skills to identify similarities and differences between the different artists covers. Year 5 will become familiar with musical notation and be able to compose their own music using body percussion and the glockenspiels.

Week 2 & 3: DEMOCRACY & INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY (BRITISH VALUES)

During this topic, Year 5 will be taught about our values of democracy and individual liberty. The children will be taught how old you must be to take part in an election and identify some of the main political parties. Finally, we will have our very own class general election, with peers voting for their preferred class candidates on a wide array of subjects.

Week 4 & 5: EVERYTHING IS CHANGING

During our science topic, the children will compare and group together everyday materials based on their properties. We will conduct a wide range of live experiments/investigations, using solids, liquids and gases to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating.

Week 7: CLEAN UP CREW (ECO)

In this topic, Year 5 will be promoting the importance of environmental awareness. The children will be taught to understand how litter can be dangerous; becoming a health and safety concern – therefore will also take part in a local litter pick around Lees.

Religious Education

- Our Christian value this half-term is Truthfulness.
- Daily collective worship will take place in class.
- Year 5 will continue with their Understanding Christianity, applying their learning to the 'Big Frieze'.

Physical Education

- Striking and fielding – Cricket/Rounders
- Athletics

PE will be on Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

Computing

This half term Year 5 will continue to use word processing to create and research important information. The children will also complete their 'Sticky Learning' for Online Safety using Purple Mash. We will also continue our use of Google Classroom.

Home Learning and Other Relevant Information

At St Thomas' we believe that the link between home and school is essential to ensure your child can continue to make good progress. Below are some of the ways you can help:

- Encourage your child to complete our 9 Grid homework every week. They will have a booklet for each term.
- Discuss your child's learning and topic work. Ask about their 'Always' badge.
- Your child will need his / her planner everyday so that we are able to keep in contact and it must be signed weekly. **This is checked every Friday.**

