

Curriculum Information for Parents Summer Term 2

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Literacy and Maths

Literacy:

This half term Year 5 will continue to write for different purposes, including: descriptive writing, information texts and poetry. Within our Spelling lessons, we will continue to work on our suffix and prefix strategies as well as consolidating all our spellings from this year.

Maths

During Numeracy, your child will be looking at Converting Between Units and Volume. Once completed, we will then consolidate previous learning and target any misconceptions to ensure we are ready to confidently move up to Year 6 in mathematics.

Topics

Week 1: HENRI MATISSE

In this music topic we will be looking at the artist Henri Matisse. The children will create abstract impressions in the style of Matisse using a wide range of techniques and materials, including: painting with scissors, light and dark shadows and complementary colours.

Week 2 & 3: LIFE EXPLORERS (SCIENCE)

During this topic, Year 5 will explore the changes to humans as they start to develop to old age, know gestation periods for animals, identify and order the six stages in human life and explore the key milestones in baby and chid development.

Week 4: HEALTH AND WELLBEING (RSE/DT)

During our RSE topic, the children will be taught to know how regular exercise benefits mental and physical health. Furthermore, we will look at what is needed for a healthy diet, describing how to be hygienic and safe. Finally, we will begin to recognise warning signs about mental health and understand that we can seek support.

Week 5: THE OLYMPICS (PE)

Year 5 will put their physical capabilities to the test and compete in several different disciplines associated with the Olympics. The children will be taught the values of both the Olympic and Paralympic games and where/when the Olympics started.

WEEK 6: VIVE LA FRANCE

In French Year 5 will learn to understand a range of familiar spoken phrases, including: age and birthday, weather conditions and pets/animals.

Religious Education

- Our Christian value this half-term is Trust.
- 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 focus on 3D Modelling. The children will be taught how to use the 2Design and Make software, explore the effect of moving points when designing, design for a purpose and finally refine and print a model.

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.