

Y5 CURRICULUM

AUTUMN TERM 2017

Mrs. Meskell's Class



RELIGION

Pupils will learn that all people are called by God to be special, to be holy. They will learn that people are made to know and love God and each other.

Pupils will learn that we are called to make life choices: marriage, commitment and service.

Pupils will learn that Advent is a time when we wait in joyful hope for Jesus, the promised one.

How can you help? Continue to support your child by attending assemblies and Masses. Read Bible stories and encourage children to discuss what they understand about their commitment to their faith.

Please say morning and night prayers with your child.

Please attend Youth Masses during the Year.

MATHS

How can you help? To support your child's learning, please ensure they practise counting on/back in different steps, e.g. steps of 6, starting for 2. Include fractions and decimals in the counting steps.

Involve your child in maths problem solving – practical activities that require calculations, such as totalling items in your shopping basket, finding change, budgeting for a family meal etc.

Practise mental calculations involving money and measures, including conversion of measures, i.e. $14\text{cm} = 140\text{mm} = 0.14\text{metres}$.

Come and see me if you need any help. We can work together to support your child with maths tasks.

SCIENCE

Our topic this term is:
Properties and Changes in materials:

1. Pupils will look at qualities of materials and will consider their fitness for purpose through designing and conducting fair tests.
2. The children will look at the differences between solids, liquids and gases and how each of these can be changed into another.

Pupils will be taught Science by Mrs Haslam.

LITERACY

1. Pupils will revise and build on their knowledge of the features of a range of genre including adventure stories, non-fiction texts and poetry.
2. They will read a range of texts (modern and classical) linked to our Ancient Greece topic, including historical texts, Myths and Legends
3. Pupils will plan and write their own Myths and Legends
4. Pupils will organise their sentences in paragraphs and will be encouraged to use accurate punctuation, complex sentences, paragraphs and descriptive language.

How can you help? Reading regularly both in school and at home will fuel your child's imagination and help to improve their writing for sure! Please make sure you read with your child every night and return your child's reading record and bag daily.

Please write a comment in your child's Reading Record and ensure that your child completes their Reading Journal task.

Come and see me if you need any help. We can work together to support your child with reading tasks.

TOPIC

Ancient Greece

The children will learn to:

Locate the world's countries, using maps to focus on Europe (including the location of Russia) and North and South America.

Describe and understand key aspects of human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water

Use maps, atlases, globes and digital/computer mapping to locate key areas in Greece and describe features studied

Study Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world.

P.S.H.E. RESPECT FOCUS

Pupils will, through Circle Time, discuss children's rights and responsibilities. They will reflect on how they should be role models for the younger pupils and how they can make the school a safe, learning environment for all. They will revise how to use ICT in a responsible way. **Please encourage your child to use good manners and to respect others.**

COMPUTING

Pupils will use the internet to develop further their research skills. They will use a variety of ICT equipment to develop control and monitoring skills. Pupils will be taught I.C.T. by Miss Murphy.

MUSIC

Pupils will learn a range of new songs this term to improve their diction, phrasing and breathing. Pupils will widen their musical vocabulary e.g. pentatonic, dynamics, pitch, tempo and timbre. They will compose their own compositions linked to learning to play the xylophone. **Pupils are invited to join the choir.**

P.E. KITS MUST BE IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY!

P.E. Lessons: TUESDAY and FRIDAY pm

THANK YOU FOR ENSURING YOUR CHILD IS WEARING FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM.



ART AND DESIGN

The children will learn:

to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including painting with a range of materials

to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including sculpture with a range of materials

about great artists in history

select from and use a wider range of tools and equipment to perform practical tasks [for example, cutting, shaping, joining and finishing], accurately

Mrs Meskell and Mrs Lockett are very much looking forward to teaching your child in Y5. Together, we can help to raise standards. To support your child, reading regularly is highly recommended. Please sign your child's Reading Record each evening and return to school every Thursday.

Y5 pupils will be given weekly homework every MONDAY. This must be returned to school on THURSDAY.