



Curriculum Information for Parents

Autumn Term 1

Year

5

Literacy and Maths

Literacy:

In Autumn Term 1, Year 5 will be looking at different writing genres, including: diary extracts, non-chronological reports and poetry. Within Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar, the children will work on their pronoun and formality knowledge as well as using commas and relative clauses correctly.

Maths:

During Numeracy, your child will further develop their Place Value knowledge by looking at numbers to 1,000,000. Year 5 will also look at ordering and comparing numbers, roman numerals and rounding/estimating. We will then move onto addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, before working on our fractions knowledge before Christmas.

Your child will consolidate their timetables knowledge weekly – this is to ensure all children can recall their multiples and factors.

Topics

Week 1 - 3: The Mayans

Our first topic this year is the Mayans! In this History topic, your child will be taught where and when the Mayans were discovered, how they lived, their Gods, everyday life and their eventual decline. Year 5 will use the information they've been taught to create a non-chronological report about the Maya Civilisation.

Week 4-5: Space

In this science topic, your child will be taught key scientific principles such as the Moon's movement relative to Earth and how rotation (of the Earth) creates night/day. Year 5 will be able to name the planets in our solar system and describe why continents/countries have different time zones.

Week 6 - 8: AMAZING AMERICAS

Amazing Americas is a Geography topic in Year 5. Your child will identify some key human and physical features within the countries of North America by using different geographical resources. Each child will then compare these features to a region in the UK.

Religious Education

- Our Christian value this half-term is **Responsibility**.
- Daily collective worship will take place in class and whole school collective Worship and Celebration.

Physical Education

Indoor PE:

Dance

PE will be on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Outdoor PE:

OAA inc. Orienteering

Computing

In Computing, your child will be taught Coding. Children will be taught to code efficiently, simulate a physical system and introduce strings. Your child can further consolidate these skills using PurpleMash at home.

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.
- 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.**