Year 5 Spring 2025 planning

Hello and welcome to the Year 5 webpage!

I hope you have had a fantastic Christmas and New Year and are looking forward to the new term.

Spring is full of brilliant opportunities for us in Year 5.

Our PE days will be Monday and Thursday – Could the children please have both their indoor and outdoor PE kits (white t-shirts, black shorts, black joggers and sweatshirt with trainers) in school for the week. They can be kept in their lockers.

Our RE work this term follows the Vine and the Branches curriculum and begins with Jesus and John the Baptist, looking at the miracles Jesus performed and moving onto the Sacraments of Reconciliation and of the sick.

Then we focus on the path to Easter. This starts with Jesus' mercy and forgiveness and then His journey to Jerusalem with the Last Supper and His Passion. As part of our studies, we will be taking the lead role in the Easter play for which you are most welcome to join us.

In English, we will be finishing our work on 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes, writing our own narratives based on the story, focussing on the characters and settings.

Then we will be moving onto writing a journalistic report about the Titanic before exploring 'Macbeth' by William Shakespeare. The character of Macbeth is particularly interesting, and we will be backing this up by looking at a graphic novel of the story.

Reading will be a big part of our work this term. As a class we will be studying 'The Listeners' by Walter de la mare ties in with our descriptive work on the Highwayman, looking at the themes of supernatural within the poem. Then we have a couple of excellent, and thought-provoking, books; Mirror by Jeannie Baker and Wonder by R.J.Palacio.

In addition, there will be lots of opportunities for the children to enjoy their reading books in class including our Book Talk groups. Please support your child by listening to them reading at home – we suggest 15 minutes per day – and leave a comment in their reading record books.

In Maths, we have lots to look at with a focus on arithmetic, we'll be working on multiplication and division, fractions, statistics and area and perimeter. At home, the children can access Mathletics and we ask them to get 1,000 points for the week to earn their certificate.

In addition to these, we will be exploring the Tudors in History and Oceans in Geography; creating portrait poems in Art and bridges in Design and Technology; In Science we will be looking at forces and materials and continue with our work in French, Ten:Ten and PSHE.

If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thanks,

Mr Oliver