

Year 5 Newsletter Spring Term 2019

Important dates:

- 14th January – Year 5 Parents meeting
- 15th Feb – Inset day
- 7th March – World Book Day
- 11th -15th March – Whitgift week
- 12th and 13th March – Parents Evening
- 29th April-1st May – Year 5 residential
- 24th-26th April – Whitgift days
- TBC – Stations of the Cross

What we are learning this half term

English

- Our class text this half term is The Kingdom Revealed by Rob Ryan.
- Our comprehension focus is to draw inferences such as inferring characters' feelings, thoughts and motives from their actions, and justifying these with evidence.
- Our writing focus will be to write in role from a character's perspective, including diary entries and letters. It will also be to look at story mapping and predicting what happens next using what has already occurred.

Maths

- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Decimals and percentages
- Times tables – up to 12x12
- Problem-solving and reasoning

Topic

History: Britain post 1066 – Changing power of monarchy

- Chronology of British monarchy.
- Changing power between monarch and state since 1066
- Current roles of monarch and state.

Geography

Mapping:

- To identify the position and significance of the Equator, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.

Science

Forces

- Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object.
- Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces.
- Recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

Space

- Describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system.
- Describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth.
- Describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies.
- Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night, and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.

Religious Education

Inspirational People

- Reflecting on how we can be disciples and followers of Jesus.
- Researching various Saints and people who have followed in God's footsteps.

Reconciliation:

- To understand that actions have consequences.
- To know about God's love and forgiveness.
- To understand the meaning of sin.
- To know what happens in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Additional Information

If possible, please can children come to school with the right equipment for lessons; handwriting pen and a pencil.

Thank you,

Miss Cassayre, Miss Johnson and Mrs Parry