

Parent Overview - Year 5
Summer 2019



This overview provides you with information about what your child will be learning during the Summer term. In addition, all pupils will continue to learn about the Catholic Virtues and British Values as appropriate throughout the curriculum. If you require any further information, please feel free to contact your child's class teacher. Thank you.

English



This term we will be:

- Exploring the classic tale, Stig of the Dump.
- Writing recounts and setting descriptions based upon our space topic.
- Writing an extended five part story set in space and writing space themed poetry.
- Writing persuasively, considering different levels of formality.
- Writing and performing play scripts with a focus on including stage directions.

Maths



This term we will be:

- Practising formal written methods for all four operations.
- Applying our own knowledge to a wide range of problems and investigations.
- Learning how to convert, and solve problems converting, between a variety of measurements.
- Understanding and investigating the properties of 3D shapes.
- Reading and interpreting information in a timetable.
- Reviewing conversion of fractions, decimals and percentages.

Religious Education



This term we will be:

- Learning about the topic of Easter.
- Exploring the role that religion plays in our family lives and celebrations.
- Finishing the term by looking at the work of the Apostles.

Science



This term we will be:

- Exploring our solar system to gain an understanding of the scale of the planets and the distances between them.
- Learning about life cycles and how the life cycles of various living creatures differ. This will involve detailed study of seed growth.

Computing



This term we will be:

- Using a range of sources to research.
- Using music editing software.
- Debugging simple programmes on Scratch.
- Completing a project using Excel.

Topic

This term our topics are:

How green are your fingers?

and

Can you design the ultimate mini-beast?

After the Easter break, when the weather begins to warm up, we will look at farming methods across the world as well as trying our hand at growing our own vegetables to sell at a Year 5 'Farmers Market'.

Our 2nd topic, after half term, revolves around creepy crawlies. This topic ties in nicely with our science topic as we will closely study their life cycles, but also consider what makes them so effective at staying alive.

Other important information

Children will have PE on Friday and Swimming on Wednesday until May half term. Please note, no swimming on May 15th.

Homework is given out on a Friday. Homework needs to be handed in on the following Wednesday.

Important dates for the term

Friday 24th May: Sports day

Monday 10th June: Y5 visit to St Chad's Cathedral

Tuesday 11th June: Y5 visit to Derby Faith Trail

Monday 17th June: Alton Castle residential trip

Monday 24th June : School closed for INSET

Friday 12th July: Music concerts held

How to help at home

Please encourage your child to read as much as possible at home. You may also be able to support their learning in Maths by helping them to learn their multiplication tables. If you are able to, encouraging children to complete their homework ready for **Wednesday** is also helpful.