



Year 5 Class Newsletter

Summer Term 2022

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Dear Parents,

We hope you had a wonderful half term. We can't quite believe that this is the final term for your children in Year 5. We wanted to take a moment to tell you how fantastic they have been and how much we have enjoyed seeing them progress over the year. They have worked hard and we know that they will impress all those around them as they move in to their final Year at St Michael's.

English: This term we are planning to link the children's writing to our STEM unit. We will start the term with explanation writing. These will be based on the children's own creative contraption. Following this, the children will learn to write a balanced discussion by exploring real life arguments. This term we hope to see the children really showcase their writing- showing off just how far their writing has come this year.

Maths: This term will begin with the children continuing to understand the link between fractions, decimals and percentages. They are working really hard with this despite it being particularly tricky at times. With Mrs Hillocks, the children will move on to learning about properties of shape, translation and reflection and practise converting between units of measure. Maths this term will be jam packed – preparing them to begin Year 6.

STEM: This term we will focus on a STEM unit in our curriculum time, where the children will be challenged by our big question, 'Do you need wings to fly?' They will be exploring forces such as gravity and air resistance – while delving into the life of Isaac Newton. They will also experiment with different materials to evaluate their effectiveness in flight. They will have an opportunity to use computer aided design to design plane and glider parts. Finally, to complete the term, they will design and build gliders and

launchers using their learning. We have an exciting school trip linked to their learning too!

Science: Science this term will form part of our STEM unit of learning. There will be a strong emphasis on scientific enquiry with opportunities for the children to plan their own investigations, make predictions and record their findings.

Jigsaw: During our Jigsaw lessons we will be looking at 'Changing Me'. Linking with our science curriculum, the children will develop an understanding of what makes a healthy body image. They will all learn about puberty for girls and boys and how this may differ. Towards the end of the term, the children will study conception and how a baby is made (the science involved). After this, they will move on to looking ahead, developing responsibilities and looking ahead to the Year 6.

In the following subjects we will be studying:

Computing – E- safety and presentation skills

RE – Why do some people believe God exists?

Music – Singing and learning to read music using the glockenspiels

DT – gliders and launchers

French – Pets

PE – Rounder and athletics

PE KIT

Children will now have PE on a **Monday** and **Friday**. The children need to wear their PE kits to school on both of these days.

Homework:

Homework will continue to be set on Google Classroom. Multiplication and spelling tests will be carried out every Friday.

Reading: Most of your child's reading in school will be through whole class reading, so it is really important to listen to your child read at home as often as possible, **aiming for at least four times a week for 10 minutes**. Reading records will be



checked every Monday and your child can change their book as soon as they have finished.

Finally, if you have any questions or queries contact us via email.

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Many thanks for your continued support.

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