

# Year 5 Summer Term 1



Welcome to Summer Term 1. Here are all the exciting learning experiences the children will be taking part in over the course of this term. We look forward to hearing all about the out of school learning experiences your child takes part in too.

## English

This term, in reading, we will be looking at using retrieval skills; the use of vocabulary and summarising texts. In writing, we will be focusing on persuasion. We will examine the key features and then write our own persuasive text. We will also study poetry and write our own food poems. Our class reader this term is 'Skellig' by David Almond. We will also read some archaic poetry of William Blake.

## Computing

This term, our focus will be on effective searching and online safety. This will include looking at how to locate information from search results and assessing whether information sources are true and reliable.

## RE

In RE, we will be studying Christianity in Action. We will look at the main moral values and roles within the Christian faith and how Christians help and support others through charity work.

## PE

This term, we will be focusing on Tennis and Athletics. In tennis, we will learn specific skills such as a forehand, backhand, volley and underarm serve. In athletics, we will experience running over longer distances, sprinting, relay, long jump, triple jump, shot put and javelin.

## Maths



This term, we will be covering the following areas:

Fractions

Decimals

Percentages

We will also be focusing on our times tables.

## French



This term, we will be covering the unit of 'School Trip'. We will recap on numbers and colours, and then move onto looking at tenses and writing our opinions on a school trip in French.

## Science

In Science this half term, we will be focusing on living things and their habitats. We will explore and use classification keys to group, identify and name a variety of living things. We will also look at how environments can change and the dangers that this can pose to living things.

## PSHE

In this term's JIGSAW puzzle, the children will be studying the topic 'Relationships'. This will include looking at friendships and how to solve friendship problems if they occur. We will also look at how we treat others and what makes a good relationship.

## Music

In Music this term, the children will be singing songs about chocolate in a variety of styles. They will show an increasing awareness of their tone of voice and the shape of the melody.

## Topic

This term, the children will be studying food and farming. We will begin the topic by looking at the counties and cities of the UK. Then we will learn about the different types of farming in the UK. We will also learn about how the location dictates the type of farming.

In Art, we will be developing our printing skills.

In DT, we will be using our cooking skills to create our own delicious dishes.

### Our School Values

This year, we are continuing to focus on our school values. These are based on our **Commando Joe missions**, which your children will be able to tell you all about.

The values we will be covering throughout these missions are:

We will be choosing children throughout the year who demonstrate these values. However, for our **Alfo Award Ceremony** this term, we will be celebrating the child in each class who has shown the most 'Excellence'.

**R**esilience

**E**mpathy

**S**elf-awareness

**P**assion

**E**xcellence

**C**ommunication

**T**eamwork

## Homework

Children in Year 5 will be set **compulsory** homework each week of **regular reading (at least 5 times a week)**, **Spelling Shed Assignment (at least 3 times a week)** and a range of **English and Maths Purple Mash tasks**.

**They can also do independent online learning on Maths Shed/Pixl Times Tables/Purple Mash.**

We have also set some topic-based homework on Purple Mash. Children should log in to Purple Mash where they will be able to access the 2Dos. Some written tasks may require them to launch the 2Do and then click 'More' and scroll down. This will give them all the research they need for the task. They then use this information to create written text on the 2Dos.

They will be awarded dojos for any completed homework that we receive.

**Parents/Carers** – Homework is an important part of your child's academic learning. Please support your child with their homework by helping them, sitting with them and showing an interest in what they have been learning.

If you have any questions or queries about this, please see your child's class teacher.

**Thank you for your continued support.**