

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School
Summer Term 2018
Year Five
Curriculum Letter



I hope you had an enjoyable Easter break with your family. The final two terms of the current academic year are upon us, and are extremely busy. This letter outlines some of the things that are taking place, both in and out of the classroom.

If you have any questions please feel free to come into school to speak with me.

Mrs O'Donnell

<i>RE</i>	<i>We will continue to follow "Learning and Growing as People of God" which is the Diocesan scheme. During the Summer Term our units of work will include Easter, Pentecost and Mary and the Saints.</i>
<i>Literacy</i>	<i>The children in Upper Key Stage 2 will continue to be taught in ability groups for Literacy. As well as specific grammar, spelling and reading skills, we will also cover narrative writing and newspaper reports. This term we will be looking at shared texts including Chitty Chitty Bang Bang and The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawm.</i>
<i>Maths</i>	<i>The children in Upper Key Stage 2 will continue to be taught in ability groups for Maths. We will be covering money and how to stick to a budget as well as calculation, measures and recapping everything we have covered this year.</i>
<i>Science</i>	<i>During this term, children will be learning about adaptation and how animals have evolved in accordance with this.</i>
<i>PE</i>	<i>PE lessons for the Summer term will include Jive dancing, tennis, rounders and athletics. Lessons will take place on a Tuesday and a Thursday afternoon. Please ensure your child has an appropriate change of clothes for indoor and outdoor lessons during the coming months. Long hair should be tied up and jewellery should be removed. The Year 5 class will be swimming on a Monday afternoon during the Summer term. Please let me know in writing if your child is unable to</i>

	<i>take part in a PE lesson.</i>
<i>Computing</i>	<i>Children will be learning about app design as well as writing and debugging algorithms.</i>
<i>Geography</i>	<i>This term we will be looking at map skills and how pollution, specifically plastic, is affecting our world.</i>
<i>Art</i>	<i>We will be looking at collage work and 3d modelling. Collage will include recreating an image by layering paper of various colours and shades. 3D modelling will consist of manipulating materials to create a "person in action".</i>
<i>DT</i>	<i>In DT we will be designing and making burgers in food technology, focusing on balanced and nutritious diets.</i>
<i>PSHE</i>	<i>During PSHE this term we will be looking at changes and feelings associated with moving on to new things.</i>
<i>Music</i>	<i>This term, the children will be investigating the sounds that they can make through body percussion. They will combine this with writing lyrics to compose their own work.</i>

Homework Expectations

Children will be given homework weekly in Literacy and Maths. Children will receive Literacy on Thursday and Maths on Friday. They are due the following Monday. These tasks should not take more than thirty minutes each. If your child has not completed their work in that time, please sign it showing that they have worked for the allotted time. If your child wants to continue, we are happy for them to do so.

In addition to this, class homework will also be given out each week on Tuesday. This work is due back on Thursday.

The Year 6 children have been allocated a password for SPAG.com to assist with SATs preparation. Please encourage them to access this regularly.

Class Key Dates

Wednesday, 25th April - Year 5 Mass (school)

