

YEAR 5

YEAR 5'S CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER - SPRING 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to OLSJ, Happy New Year, I hope everyone had a great Christmas break.

We have several exciting new topics to study this term and some interesting trips planned for after half term. Below is an outline of the curriculum your child will be following this term.

RE

Our topic this half term is 'Local Church', we then move onto 'Memorial sacrifice' and 'Sacrifice' after half term as we move towards Easter. Every Wednesday we will continue to read and write a detailed assessment of each Sunday's Gospel. Please read through the handout at home. Additionally, later in the term we will focus on further inspirational people.

English

We are going to look at a range of writing styles this term, starting with myths and legends. We will then continue to explore different techniques through-out the term. We will also be using a writing programme called 'The Story Spinner' which uses a selection of short stories from around the world. This will help to develop the children's story telling skills.

Maths

Following the curriculum and the 'Rising Stars' programme we will be concentrating on measurement, shapes and geometry for the majority of the term. Once completed we will return to number, place value and the four operations. There will continue to be a different times table focus each week.

Children must practise their times tables at home daily. Mental maths tests will also take place in class four times a week.



ICT

The children will be developing their design skills, producing work for topic and RE.

Art

Our Art lessons will be linked to the History topic and children will design and make a Greek Amphora vase and a replica Greek temple.

History

Our topic is Ancient Greece. We will learn about many areas of Ancient Greek life.

Science

Our topic is 'Properties and changes of materials'. This involves comparing and contrasting solids, liquids and gasses.

Spanish

Lessons are once a week, working on basic phrases.

Homework is given out once a week: every Friday to be handed in on Monday. Occasionally additional work will be handed out during the week on Monday to be handed in on Thursday. Spellings are handed out every Monday for Friday's test.

P.E is every Wednesday afternoon with Mr. James and **Yoga** is every Friday afternoon.



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO ASK.

KIND REGARDS,

MR ROOK, YEAR 5 CLASS TEACHER.