

# YEAR 5

## OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH PRIMARY SCHOOL / AUTUMN TERM CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

### Welcome back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to Year 5. It has been great to see children so eager to reunite with their friends and get back in the classroom.

This academic year we will offer a broad curriculum although we need to catch up on a lot of learning lost due to the lockdown.

Please see below for curriculum information for this Autumn term.

**RE:** The topics we will be covering this term are: Family - Ourselves, Judaism, Baptism-Confirmation and Advent - Christmas. We will be focusing on a variety of inspirational people throughout the term.

**English:** We will be engaging in lots of different genres and writing for different purposes this term, using fiction and non-fiction texts e.g. 'Who Let the Gods Out' by Maz Evans. This will include the following: research, persuasive writing, letters, explanations and instructions; story genres and poetry. There will be a strong focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar.

**Maths:** We will be focusing on many key areas in this first term including: place value, addition and subtraction; multiplication and division; fractions, decimals and percentages. Children should practise their times tables.

**Science** (this half term): Properties and changes of Materials.

**History and Geography** (after October half term): Why should we thank the Ancient Greeks?

**Art and Design:** We will be creating art work linked to RE and History including *Parting of the Sea* using watercolours; making Greek urns and practising sketchbook skills.

**Home learning** is given out on Thursday and is due back on Monday. **PE** will take place every Wednesday morning with Mr James.

Your continued support at home is invaluable to help your child's progression this year. Please encourage your child to engage in a wide variety of high quality texts, including fiction and non-fiction, with particular focus on comprehension.

Also, please encourage your child to practise their times tables and spellings daily.

I look forward to working with you this year.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Ruminska (Year 5 teacher)

