



Class 5MC Autumn 2 2019

Our theme for this term will be

The Tudors

Did the Tudors change history?

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the topics that your children will be studying this half term.

Homework
Homework will be set on Fridays and returned by the following Wednesday.

Spellings / Times Tables
Spellings and times tables will be given out on a Monday. A spelling test will be carried out the following Friday and a speed times table test will also be given.

Home Reading
Children will be given their reading books to take home on a daily basis. They should be encouraged to read a few pages or a chapter every night which will be followed by a short book review. The children are encouraged to read **7 times per week** and win a prize in the class reading race. Please discuss with your child what they've read before signing their reading record. Your child needs their reading book and record in school each day. Books need to be brought to school every day.

PE.
Lessons will be on a **Thursday**. Every child in the class looks extremely smart in their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T-shirt. Please remember that children also need an outdoor PE kit. This consists of plain black jogging bottoms, plain black sweatshirt and trainers. Children need to have both kits with them for each PE lesson, as whenever possible, lessons will take place outside.
Thank you for your help with this.

Literacy
Our Class texts will be 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'
Main areas of study will be:
Story Writing, Information Texts, journalistic writing.
Also during literacy your child will be focussing on sentence structure, spelling, grammar, handwriting and reading.
Our Non-fiction work will be based around the 80th anniversary of the beginning of world war 1.

Numeracy
Main areas of study will be:
- Place Value
- Securing number facts
- Geometry and shape
- Calculation methods
- Problem Solving
By Year 5 children should know all of the times tables. If your child does not know all the times tables please help them to learn these at home as rapid recall of number facts is key to success in maths.

Science
In Science we will be looking at Living Things and their Environments. We will be researching data about animals' habitats and looking at classification keys. Wherever possible, science lessons will be supported by enquires and investigations

RE / PSHCE
In RE we will be looking at different cultures and the impact has on peoples' lives. We will also compare celebrations and rituals linked to the Christmas period.
In PSHCE we will be learning about relationships.

Art / DT
Our Art and DT lessons will relate to our theme of 'Tudors'. We will be creating sketches of famous Tudor monarchs.
Music
In music, Class MC will be learning how to play the violin with visiting music teacher Mr Lynch, each Wednesday.

History
In History we will be looking at the Tudors, their monarchy and their exploration. We will be creating timelines, researching life as a sailor and discovery of new lands. We will also be looking at different sources of evidence and evaluating their authenticity

ICT / French
In ICT we will be looking at Internet Safety, Databases and Spread sheets. We will also be further developing our word processing and presentation skills, building on our previous learning.
In French we will be looking at using vocabulary we have previously learned to improve our conversations.

Finally...
If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact either myself or Mrs Ketley at the end of the school day.