



CLASS 5MC

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS YOUR CHILD WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM

Our theme for this half term is... The Spanish Armada

Literacy

Our class text in Literacy this half term will be *Treasure Island*, by Robert Louis Stevenson.

Main areas of study will be:
story writing, journalistic writing and play scripts.

Also, during literacy, your child will be focusing on sentence structure, grammar and spelling.

Science

In Science our main topic will be 'forces'. We will be:

- Exploring friction and its affect and uses on balanced and unbalanced forces.
- Investigating the effects of weight on objects and balanced forces
- Investigating gravity and weight.

ICT

During ICT we will look at internet safety. We will also be using google programs to create art and digital images.

PE

Our PE lessons will be taught by Miss Warvil our new PE teacher.

Music

During music lessons the children will continue to learn how to play the violin with visiting music teacher, MrLynch

Homework

Homework will be set on Fridays and should be returned to school by the following Wednesday.
Homework includes a spelling sheet, times table challenge and grammar or comprehension sheet.

Numeracy

Main areas of study:
Place value
written methods of calculation
Problem solving
Geometry

Also, we will be focusing on number facts. By the time children reach year 5, they should know all of their times tables. If your child does not know these facts, please can you encourage them to learn them at home as this rapid recall of number facts is key to success in maths.

Geography and History

In Geography, we will use world maps and atlases to look at where the Spanish Armada took place. In History we will look at the reign of Eilizabeth 1 and life under her reign.

RE

During RE we will be looking at the connections between the kingdom of God and Biblical text. We will consider different meanings for Biblical text and make clear links to how Christians put their beliefs into practice.

Art/DT

In Art we will be looking at famous art work of Elizabeth 1 and in DT we will be designing and making models of hedgehog houses

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 every night. Please discuss with your child what they've read before signing their reading record. Books need to be brought to school every day.