

Year 5 Spring Term Newsletter

Welcome back to year 5! We hope you all had a fantastic Christmas break. This newsletter is designed to give you details about your child's learning this term as well as other important information you need to be aware of. As always, please do not hesitate to speak to us with any questions or comments you may have.

Thank you, Mr Hayward and Mr Westwood (year 5 team).

What will my child be learning?

We are very lucky to have staff at Grace Mary whose expertise within certain subjects is very strong. Therefore, your child will be taught by lots of different staff during the year.

Subject	Spring term 1 topic	Spring term 2 topic	Who will teach the topic?
Humanities	Early Islamic Civilization	Local Area Study	Mr Hayward
Science	Life Cycles and Reproduction	Animals Including Humans: How do we change as we get older?	Mrs Shelley / Mr Westwood
Art	Observational Drawing Eyes (Dragon Eye Sketches)		Miss Flavell
Music	Planets Suite		Mr Hayward
PE	Dance	Netball	Mrs Haywood
PSHE	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Difference	Mrs Haywood
DT	Doodlers (Electrical Systems)		Mr Hayward
Computing	Databases	Game Creator	Mr Westwood
RE	Christianity For Christians, what type of king was Jesus?	Christianity What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?	Mr Westwood

More detailed information about each subject, including English and maths, can be found on the Grace Mary website.

What homework will my child get?

Maths- children will set weekly homework on

www.maths.co.uk

They will also have access to TTRockStars to secure timetables knowledge.

Reading- children are expected to read every day for at least 10 minutes. They will bring home a colour banded book and a free choice book each week.

SPAG- homework will be set every two weeks on

www.SPAG.com

Spellings- children will be sent home weekly spellings on a Monday to learn for a quiz on the following Friday.

It is your child's responsibility to complete the homework.

What other key information do I need to know?

PE days are on a Thursday so please ensure your child has the expected kit.

Book changing day is also on a Tuesday so please send books and book bags in on this day only.

School doors open at 8.30am so please ensure that the children are in early as this will ensure a calm, relaxed start of the day.

We have some exciting things this term. We have been asked to participate in some massed music events with 'Sips'. Years 5 has a class trip to Lichfield Cathedral, where we will learn about the different parts of a Cathedral. And Year 5 will be taking part in a whole school creative arts installation and gallery.