

# The Federation of Holy Trinity Church of England Schools

## Year 5

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## Autumn Term 2023/24



## Welcome!

Welcome to Year 5! We have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know all of the children better over the past week or so and are all really looking forward to the year ahead. The children have settled in so quickly and are already developing into super role-models for the younger children in school. Year 5 is a busy and exciting year and we have lots planned over the coming months.

### Learning in Autumn

Subject / Area of Learning	Unit / Focus area
English	Instructions, writing fiction and poetry
Maths	Place value and calculations
Learning Means The World	Mission Control (Science – space/solar system. Music – cyclical patterns. History – famous astronomers and astronauts) You're Not Invited (History - invasion, important Roman Figures. Geography - location of Italy and the Roman empire. Art - mosaics. Design and Technology - design a place for a soldier to sleep)
RE	What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today?
PE	Tag rugby, racket sports, hockey and gymnastics
Spanish (KS2)	Key vocabulary - En mi calle (In my street), Christmas in Spain

### Learning Means The World

“Mission Control” is a thematic unit based around the subjects of Earth and beyond, with a key focus on science and history. Children will be learning to be scientists by finding out about the Earth, Sun and Moon and their relationship to each other, before being historians and finding out more about space exploration and communication.

“You're Not Invited” is a thematic unit, based around invaders with a key focus on history. It begins by looking at the concept of invasion, before focusing especially on the Romans, learning about important Roman figures and their reasons for invading other countries.

**Parents will be welcomed into school on the evening of Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> September to explore how we are teaching our new whole-school curriculum through ‘Learning Means the World’. You will learn how all aspects of Science, History, Geography, PSHE, Art, DT, Computing and Music are woven into exciting, stimulating and relevant units throughout the year, focusing on the 4 Cs: Communication, Conflict, Conservation and Culture. More information to follow.**

### PSHE

This term we will be learning about society and exploring the concepts of democracy, sovereignty, dictatorship, government and monarchy. We will also be learning about how to keep ourselves safe online, including using passwords and apps effectively and safer online relationships. Later on this term, we will be looking at the effects of drugs and alcohol and examining how to deal with our emotions.

## Communication

We will continue to use school planners as they are an invaluable source of communication between home and school. Please use this to pass on messages to your child's class teacher and record home reading. Planners are also an important learning support tool for your child; please help your child to take responsibility for ensuring they are in school every day.

## Homework

Homework will be set each Thursday and will consist of:

- Spellings: 5 key words and 10 words linked to the spelling investigation we will be teaching in school.
- Maths: Encourage your child to practise for our weekly times table test. TT Rockstars sessions will be set to support with this.
- Reading Plus: Sessions will be allocated each week and need to be completed by Monday morning. For those who like to do more, do as many reading and vocabulary sessions as you like – there are certificates up for grabs!
- Reading 3 times a week for 15 minutes

If you have any questions regarding your child's homework, or would like advice on how to support them, please contact your child's teacher.

<u>Autumn Term Routines</u>	
Monday	Reading Plus allocation to be completed PE lesson
Tuesday	Reading Plus session in school Homework due in
Wednesday	PE lesson
Thursday	Reading Plus session in school Homework given out
Friday	Praise: 2.50pm

## Ways to help your child:

- In school, we teach reading across all aspects of the curriculum, in addition to reading lessons, where we teach very specific reading comprehension skills. These include developing your child's ability to predict, retrieve and explain information from the text, make inferences and justify their reasoning, make comments on the author's language and effectively summarise ideas. It is important that all children, regardless of ability, read with an adult regularly, at least three times a week. The aim of reading at home is to foster a life-long love of reading.
- Please support your child to complete their homework – it is extremely beneficial in helping children consolidate their learning and develop new skills. We can provide stationery for home as required. Please let us know if you do not have access to electronics for completing homework.
- Complete, **named** school uniform – please ensure that your child wears school uniform on non-PE days. This should include grey trousers/skirt/dress/shorts, white or red polo-shirt or white shirt, red sweatshirt and black, sturdy shoes. School logo uniform can be purchased from the Ripon Uniform Shop on Blossomgate.
- Please ensure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on their PE day (plain, house-coloured t-shirt, black shorts, trainers and dark joggers/red hoody for cold days). Children should not wear clothing with large branded logos.
- Earrings must be removed for PE, either before school, or by your child if they are able. Staff are not permitted to remove earrings. Long hair should be tied back.
- Please remember that we cannot share sweets and cakes brought into school for the children. We appreciate that this is tricky as children like to share treats for their birthdays, but we now have several children with severe allergies. Thank you for your understanding!

## Praise

We are delighted to welcome all members of our school community to our Friday Praise – our opportunity to celebrate and praise our children and the wonderful things they do throughout the week! The Infants begins at 9am and Juniors at 2:50pm. Can we respectfully remind all visitors not to take photographs/videos during Praise – there will be the opportunity at the end of both Assemblies to take individual photos with your own child – thank you!

## Autumn Term Events

- Curriculum evening – 27/9/23 6-7pm
- Harvest Service – 4/10/23
- Open morning – 19/10/23 9:15-10:35am
- Parents' Evening – 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- October half term – 27/10/23 (break up)
- Christmas service – 20/12/23
- Christmas party - TBC
- End of term – 22/12/32

*'Loved by God and one another, Holy Trinity is a welcoming community of faith, where we learn and flourish together.*

*Each day opens up horizons of hope, aspiration and joy!'*