

Curriculum Overview Year 5 Autumn Term 2018

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>English</u></p> <p>We will be studying a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts including: character description, atmospheric writing, narrative poetry and non-chronological reports. We will consolidate and extend our knowledge of grammar and spelling. Speaking and listening skills will be developed through the texts used. Children's reading will be heard on a regular basis. Children will be expected to read every day at home. Spellings will be given and tested on a weekly basis.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Maths</u></p> <p>Maths work will focus on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, understanding the number system, solving problems, measurement, shape and space, and data handling. Children will be expected to practise their multiplication facts and related division facts as part of their maths homework. Lessons include a mental oral element to encourage rapid response, thorough knowledge of facts and flexible thinking. Children will regularly practise arithmetic skills using quick formal written methods.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PSHE</u></p> <p>During the term we will be looking at: 'We're All Stars' and 'Be Friendly, Be Wise.' We will develop an understanding of our rights and responsibilities and identify personal gifts and talents. We will learn how to work cooperatively with others and use a range of communication skills to do this successfully. We will learn more about understanding friendships and strategies to prevent bullying and resolve conflicts effectively.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PE</u></p> <p>In PE the following areas will be covered: gymnastics, dance, invasion games and outdoor adventure activities. Through these, the children will develop and extend their practical skills, knowledge and understanding and team work.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>RE</u></p> <p>In R.E children will discover that fundamental to Christian belief is the existence of a holy and loving God - Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. They will explore the Creation: investigating how the universe and human life are God's creation, and how separation from God has caused many problems for humanity. Finally, they will investigate comparisons with scientific accounts.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>IPC</u></p> <p>IPC is our topic based approach to the foundation subjects. This term our units are Space Explorers and ICT 3D designers.</p> <p>The first unit gives the children a chance to learn about space and astronomy. They will explore our solar system and some of the mysteries of the universe. They will investigate the size of the sun and the moon; nebulae and how they can capture their shape, colour and patterns; the technology that is being used to explore Mars; how the International Space Station (ISS) is furthering our understanding of living in space and discover what people used to think about the Earth, Sun and Moon in the past.</p> <p>In the second unit we will teach the children how to become digitally literate, harnessing their skills to become confident creators and responsible users of computers in their daily lives. They will be making their own 3D models and computer games using programs that enable them to create their own 3D models.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>MFL</u></p> <p>We will be focusing on learning the French language and exploring French culture. We will begin by recapping prior knowledge and then move on to learning more about France.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Art & Design</u></p> <p>As Mexico is our host country, children will research Mexican art and design their own Mexican masks, linked to the national 'Day of the Dead' festival. They will also create artwork based on the theme of 'space', investigating how shape, colour and pattern can be blended together within images.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Computing</u></p> <p>We will be looking at the importance of E-Safety and how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. Throughout the term the children are going to be 'game developers', using basic coding to create simple games. We will design and write programs to solve problems.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Music</u></p> <p>In music we are going to develop an understanding of the history of music including great musicians and composers.</p>	



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Autumn Term at St. Michael's in Year Five.

Please find attached an overview of the main topics and subjects we will be covering in Year Five this year, as well as a copy of your child's timetable.

Mrs Noel, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Williams and Mrs Adcock will be supporting Year Five classes this year. Mr Morgan and Mrs Twiggs will provide PPA cover teaching. Please do come in and speak to us if there are any questions or issues that you would like to discuss.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of a few of the expectations that we have in Year Five.

- ❖ The school day begins at 9 am promptly. Classes are open from 8.50am to allow the children to settle before lessons start.
- ❖ Please encourage the use of the home school diary. The children *must* record their daily reading in the home school diary. We will be monitoring this daily at school; your support will be very much appreciated. Please could you sign the diary, in the given space, at the end of each week to show you have seen it.
- ❖ Full school uniform is to be worn every day. Please ensure suitable length skirts for girls, ideally to the knee. Children can change into PE shoes/trainers for playtimes only. As Health and Safety is so prominent these days, we ask that all jewellery is kept at home with the exception of stud earrings which must be removed or covered with tape during PE lessons. All children with long hair must tie it back and children's hair should be a natural colour. Please note that the wearing of nail varnish is not permitted in school. Now the weather is becoming unpredictable please ensure your child has a raincoat in school.
- ❖ PE lessons are on: Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure that your child has a named PE kit in a bag on these days.
Kit List:
 - Plain white t-shirt and plain dark shorts.
 - A jumper that is used only for PE.
 - Trainers or plimsolls(A dark tracksuit may be worn in the colder months)
- ❖ Homework will be given out every Wednesday and will be collected in each Tuesday. Children will be given an English homework book and will be asked to complete activities, linked to their learning in class. Maths homework this year will be set through the website www.mymaths.com. Further details about this will follow shortly. If your child has any problems completing their homework, or difficulty accessing the internet, please

let us know. If you wish, your child could sign up to go to Homework Club after school on Thursday.

- ❖ Spellings will be given out on a Wednesday, to be tested the following Wednesday. Your child's spellings will be written in their home school diary. Please encourage your child to practise these. They will be available on the school website.
- ❖ Multiplication facts and related facts will be tested each Wednesday, as part of Maths homework. Children need to practise these at home regularly to help them progress and develop rapid recall.
- ❖ From the week beginning 24th September, children will be able to come into the Year 5 classrooms each Wednesday from 8:30am, to practise their multiplication facts if they wish. This will be supervised by Year 5 teachers.
- ❖ Children are not allowed mobile phones in school. However, if they need a phone because they are walking home alone, a permission letter is needed. Please ask the class teacher for a copy of this. A member of staff will then look after the phone during the school day.
- ❖ If your child is scootering or cycling to school please ensure that they are wearing a helmet. Only children with the Bikeability Award can cycle to school without adult supervision. There will be opportunities for Year Five to take part in Bikeability training throughout the year.
- ❖ We can only administer prescribed medication to your child. The medicine must have an accompanying white medicine slip and be left with the office.

Internet/Computer safety is important to all of us. If you wish to find out more about this, these websites may be useful: <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> or <http://ceop.police.uk/>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Liz Snell Mrs Naomi Fletcher Mr Joe Bramley

Year Five Team