

## General Information

### Homework

Homework will be set on Friday and must be completed by the following Wednesday.

Please continue to encourage your child to read for pleasure and to share their books with an adult. The children are aiming for their next Bookworm award. They must read their class reading book at least three times a week to an adult. Their spellings need to be learnt for a test on Thursday. They are hoping to win the Spelling Bee by having the best result in the school.

Many children have been given their own targets for times tables, please encourage your child to practise these also.

May we politely remind parents that homework needs to be signed on a regular basis, but only when the child has completed it.

### PE kit

The children will have two PE lessons during the week so their kit should be in school at all times. We will be focusing on hockey this half term.

### Learning together

To support your child's topic we are providing you with some ideas for trips and other ways to head start their learning linked to our topic.

- Show them how rubbish is separated at home for recycling.
- Recycle an old toy/clothing etc. into something new.
- Visit the library to research Guatemala.
- Complete the home active challenge.

### Year five dates for your diary

Trivia Quiz facts sent home	14/02/2020	
Return to school	24/02/2020	
Ash Wednesday	26/02/2020	
Mass	26/02/2020	
Trip to Sewage Treatment Plant 5L	27/02/2020	
St. Casimir Mass	04/03/2020	
World Book Day	05/03/2020	
Trivia House Quiz	06/03/2020	
Trip to the Sewage Treatment Plant 5M	03/03/2020	
Trip to the Sewage Treatment Plant 5P	10/03/2020	
Class assembly 5 Matthew		
Class assembly 5 Peter	26/03/2020	
KS2 reconciliation service	31/03/2020	
Parents Evening	01/04/2020	02/04/2020
End of Term at 1.30pm	03/04/2020	



## St. Anthony's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

*Learning, Growing and Living with Jesus*



# Lent 2 2020

Year 5 Curriculum  
and  
key information  
for the second half term

# Lent 2

## Subjects

### RE

During our 'Memorial Sacrifice' topic the children explore how memories are kept alive. They will hear that the Eucharist will keep the memory of Jesus' sacrifice alive and present in a special way.

### Literacy - Reading

Children will participate in whole class reading using a variety of texts. They will also read within a group and are expected to read as an individual for enjoyment. We will be looking at a variety of non-fiction books as well as working on play scripts to compliment our work on this year's opera production.

### Speaking ,listening and writing

Our primary focus this half term will be on play scripts and information texts. Included in this will be the grammatical features of these styles of text, alongside converting reported speech into direct speech accurately. In school we will be continuing to use Edshed to support the spelling skills of the children.

### Maths

The children will continue to use a range of mental and written methods to solve problems involving multiplication, division, addition and subtraction. They will be encouraged to think carefully about the most efficient method to use. As well as this we will focus on:

- Prime numbers, square numbers and square roots
- Adding and subtracting decimals
- Properties of triangles
- Calculating missing angles
- Converting between different units of measure

Children will continue to develop their times tables knowledge using TTRockstars as well as practising maths skills using Maths Shed.

### Science

Our topic for this half term is plants, animals and humans. We will be exploring the differences in the life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds. We will also learn about reproduction in some plants and animals.

### Computing

We will be developing an appreciation of the links between geometry and art. They will become familiar with a variety of software and will design and create their own digital geometric art.

### French

In French the children will be improving their conversation skills, through focussing on how to ask and respond to questions. We will also study the River Seine, linked to our CC topic.

### Music

Music lessons will concentrate on preparation for the Opera, focusing on composition, lyric writing and rhythm.

## Creative Curriculum

Our creative curriculum topic will continue to look at the environment. Having discovered what biomes are and explored recycling and deforestation, the children will now go on to learn about the links between these and climate change. The children will explore these issues through both a local study of the changes in the environment in the Slough area over the past 200 years and the effects on children living in Guatemala. The children will be encouraged to think about how their actions can help or hinder the state of the planet and their own futures.

This half term we will also be preparing for our opera by designing costumes and scenery. To do this they will be looking at the importance of colour and form to reinforce the telling of a story through image. In addition the children will be considering the importance of stage directions and movement as part of the story telling skill.

The children will continue to write the lyrics to songs for the opera, paying particular attention to how a recitative conveys the meaning of the story.

Drama will also be used to develop the characters in the opera using facial expression, physicality and vocal range to bring to life their character.



*Clean Planet: Stopping Litter and Pollution* by Tristan Binns

We are a rights respecting school. We will be concentrating on **Article 29** which states that every child has the right to develop their abilities and talents to the full.