

# CHRISTCHURCH JUNIOR SCHOOL

## YEAR 5 AUTUMN TERM 2022

### WELCOME BACK

It is wonderful to see Year 5 children back in school rested, eager and ready to learn. We look forward to your child having a successful and enjoyable year, so please contact us if you would like to share any of your child's

### ENGLISH

**Fiction** To begin with, we will be immersing ourselves in 'The Dreadful Menace' poem. We will read the poem together, discussing figurative language and the children will be provided with lots of writing opportunities to explore personification, hyperbole and alliteration.

In addition, we will be using 'Freedom' by Catherine Johnson - as a stimulus for our narrative writing focussing on dialogue and adverbial phrases to advance a story.

We will also read and explore 'The Boy at the Back of Classroom', again providing lots of opportunities for the children to write and develop their understanding and skills.

**Non-fiction:** Our topics of 'The Benin Kingdom' and 'Slums' will act as a stimulus for a range of non-fiction writing this term.

### MATHEMATICS

Year 5 will follow the Maths No Problem curriculum. Pupils will develop their fluency (quick and efficient recall of number facts and times tables), and calculation strategies alongside reasoning and problem solving. We will continue to hone the children's efficient written methods of calculation but a large focus will be placed on applying appropriate methods to help solve problems. Real life maths will be central to our teaching and learning and it would be helpful if children could be encouraged to apply their maths at home, e.g. telling the time, working out change when shopping, measuring amounts for baking, etc. Reasoning about number, justifying and explaining answers will also form an integral part of lessons. Please ensure your child regularly practises the multiplication tables up to 12 x 12 including using TT Rock Stars.

### COMPUTING

This term, in Computing, we will be looking at a web site called, 'Welcome to the Web'. This site is designed to teach children about how to navigate efficiently and safely when using the web. They will be working through a variety of tasks which will help to consolidate their understanding. We will also be developing our programming

### SCIENCE

In Year 5 the children will continue to develop their scientific enquiry skills, including taking accurate measurements with a range of equipment and learning how to present the results of their enquiries. This term they will learn about materials and their properties and changes. The children will learn how the uses of materials are based on their properties. They will also learn about how materials change when they are heated and cooled; what happens when different materials are mixed and then how to separate them and how some changes can be reversed and how others are irreversible. This unit is a highly practical unit with many opportunities for investigations.

### SPANISH and FRENCH

This year, we will have our Modern Foreign Languages taught by a specialist teacher from Twynham School. Children will continue to develop their vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation in the language they studied in Year 4.

### HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY

Our main History topic this term will be the Benin Kingdom. In Geography we will be learning about Slums around the world.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In R.E this year we will be looking at the Sikh religion and Christianity. This term we will begin by comparing the different ways Sikhs put their religion into practice. We will then move on to look at how Christians view the Christmas story.

**PSHE:** We will be following 'Jigsaw' this year which offers a mindful approach. We will begin by addressing the School values and our rights and responsibilities. In the second half term we look at celebrating difference (including anti- bullying and diversity).

## MUSIC

This term we will be looking at jazz patterns using 3 and 5 note patterns. We will be learning about the instruments of the orchestra and music best connected with them.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND GAMES

**Children are to come into school in their PE kits on the following days:**

PE Days: 5MF—Tuesday & Wednesday

5CH —Monday & Wednesday

5AM—Tuesday & Wednesday

5SF— Monday & Thursday

Shoulder length hair should be tied back (boys and girls) and all jewellery removed. Recently pierced ears must be covered with tape supplied from home.

Outdoor Games will be taught through Multi Skills and circuits

## ART AND DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

We will be using the work of Andy Warhol and the shapes of cylinders and cones to create a Year 5 section of our CJS Art exhibition. Each child will make their own 2D and 3D piece to go on display, supported by our visiting parent expert.

DT: Structures—Bridges. We will be investigating the different types of bridges and trying to design and build our own.

## HOME LEARNING

In order to consolidate learning, home learning tasks will be set each week.

- Please continue to support your child in learning their multiplication and division facts . They will still be encouraged to gain their multiplication and division badges. To help with this, we ask children to practise their times tables online in addition to practising with an adult at home . Each child should try to access TT Rockstars at least 3 or 4 times a week and has a weekly target of 250 points.
- In addition to this, keep an eye out for your child's Maths Doodle login and password which will be coming home soon. Little and often is best with Doodle, and therefore we would encourage children to use the platform 3 or 4 times a week, aiming to remain in the green zone.
- Weekly spelling task handed out each week with words for children to learn. Their sheet should be completed and returned each week. Children will not only be tested on the words but will also be expected to apply the spelling rules and patterns concerned in their writing.
- Children are set weekly tasks on Reading Plus which they are expected to complete and should aim for 85%+ accuracy. These reading activities will help them both with their reading fluency and their understanding of what they read. Please also encourage your child to read a range of fiction and non-fiction books.

## Visits and Visitors

We are currently arranging some exciting, educational events for the children which we hope to share with you soon.

If you have any concerns or queries regarding your child's education or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher.

We look forward to a happy and successful school year.

Mr M Fidge

Mrs A Melvin

Miss C Hassall

Mr S Foley

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