

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM FEDERATION

Year 5 Autumn 2 Newsletter 2022

Meet the Team



5A class teacher - Ms Morgan, Miss Cunningham (Mon) 5B class teacher – Mrs Akhtar

Y5 teaching assistant team –



Laura Cohen (HLTA) Dylan Heap



Samara Chaudry Aysha Khan (apprentice)

Topic Overview & Key Text



This term we will continue to use a text-based approach to our literacy and topic lessons. The first book that will lead our learning is **The Lost Happy Endings**.

"If it were not for Jub there would be no happy endings – none at all! But one night, on her way to make sure that every story told in the world ends well, Jub is caught by a wicked witch who steals all the happy endings..."

The children will also read Faery Tales, The Not Bad Animals, The Amazing World of Animals and Ocean Sky. They will read non-fiction books about Ancient Greece and learn to recite, write and enjoy different aspects of poetry.

Writing

Focussing on the wonderful language used by **Carol Ann Duffy**, the children will be creating their own Traditional tale with an alternative ending/twist.

The children will be expanding their knowledge of figurative language, for instance similes and metaphors, whilst developing a greater appreciation for the audience.

The children will also be gaining inspiration for their writing from their humanities subjects including modern and Ancient Greece.

Maths

This term our main focus will be on multiplication & division. The children will learn a range of mental calculations as well as formal written methods. We will also begin to work on fractions.

Reading

Alongside the key text, we will focus on other texts linked to the topic in our daily reading lessons. The children will have a scheme reading book pitched at their own level and will have opportunities to choose their own <u>Reading for</u> <u>Pleasure</u> books, to share at home.

Homework

Homework will be set online (Seesaw) on a Friday and must be completed by the next week.

It will include spellings (tested on a Wednesday) and maths (Diagnostic Questions, online) to be completed by the Friday. Every child is also expected to read for at least 20 minutes each day at home. Please read with your child and remind them to make a comment in their reading record.

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We will be continuing with our thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

RE: Children will continue to explore the question: Why do people believe that God exists?

Science: Animals including humans/Life cycles

DT: Designing and making a catapult

Humanities: Ancient Greece

Music: Singing and preparation for performance

PSHE: Ways to improve our mental health

Computing: Coding

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Year 5 Date & Routines

School re-opens for all pupils on **Tuesday 1st November 2022**

| Mondays | Tuesdays | Wednesdays | Thursdays | Fridays |
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| | PE – please bring correct kit: black shorts, | Homework completed | | Homework set (on Seesaw) |
| | jogging bottoms or leggings; a school or plain PE top; a pair of trainers | Spelling test | | Golden Time – 20 minutes of free choice time for children who have stayed green all week |

School closes for the Christmas holiday on **Friday 16th December 2022** and reopens on **Wednesday 4th January 2022 at 8:40am**.

Dates for your diary:

·Reading Café – week beginning 8/11/22 @ 9am in 5A & 5B classrooms

(we will look at the weather forecast and let you know the day!)

· Maths Parent Workshop – date to be confirmed