



St. Francis Primary School

P6/5 Newsletter – August 2024



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to P6/5's Newsletter. Everyone has settled well and we are all keen to learn!

I hope this gives you a flavour of what P6/5 will be learning. I would be grateful if you would talk to your child about their learning and help them to reinforce the work we are doing in class.

Please remember to get in touch if you have any questions. You can also follow Primary 6/5 on Twitter – @StFrancis PSMrsD

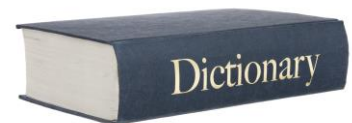
Mrs Docherty



Language

We will **read** our BugClub readers focusing on learning to retell our stories and gaining fluency. We will also practise common words. Through the 'Active Literacy' programme we are working to improve our Report **writing skills**. We will continue to use capital letters, full stops and will introduce commas.

The children will be revising and learning new phonics and spelling words for P6/5 They will use active literacy strategies to learn their spelling words weekly e.g. say, make/break, blend, read and write words using new sounds, make new words using spelling strategies e.g. 'Read, Cover, Write, Check' and learn to write dictated words and sentences.

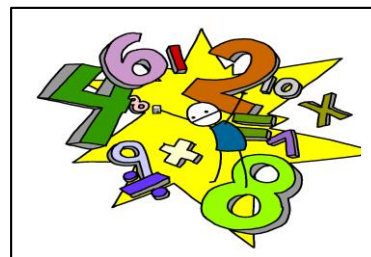


Maths - Numeracy

Please help your child to practise 9 times tables quickly and accurately every evening.

We will be learning how to:

- Place Value - Up to hundreds of thousands
- Time -
- Count Forwards and Backwards to 10,000
- Calculate Doubles and Near Doubles



Please look for opportunities to practise these skills in everyday life.

Interdisciplinary Learning

As a class, we are reading 'The Night Bus Hero,' by Onjali Rauf. A brilliantly written and totally engrossing story that will help children understand and think deeply about the real human beings whose lives are impacted by homelessness - and also more generally about the power of kindness, friendship, empathy and how everyone has the *potential to change for the better*.

Computers and Video Games

We are looking at how computers and video games have evolved and the different platforms/consoles available. P6/5 will investigate the positive and negatives influences of gaming as well as creating their own video game.

This project will see the children undertaking individual research whilst also working collaboratively with others to complete various exciting tasks.

Health & Wellbeing

We aim to encourage our children to develop healthy attitudes to enable them to make healthy choices in life. All children should take part in 2 hours P.E. per week - **Monday and Thursday**. During this term the children will be learning about;

Rights & Responsibilities - School /class charters

Safe play in the playground

Being a good friend

Hand/toilet hygiene



R.E. – following the Gospel Values

P.6/5 will continue to follow the '**This Is Our Faith**' syllabus.

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The focus for this term will be *God's gift of animals and plants; Bible Stories - Creation.*

October - Feast of St. Francis

The children will participate in celebrating mass and will continue to learn mass responses.

A number of activities will be based on the Sunday Gospel readings.

We will be revising and learning a variety of new hymns.

