

Primary 5 Class Newsletter

**November
2021**

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After the October Week, we enjoyed the Halloween festivities and are now on the lead up to Christmas. This term we are continuing to develop our learning and focussing on our achievements through our personal life as well as in school.

Interdisciplinary Study

We have begun our new topic about 'Space'. This links with the COP26 event that is taking place in Glasgow, as we are continuing to look at the impact we have on our Earth's atmosphere and how we can change it.

RME and Science

Mrs Cross has begun to look at Pilgrimages and the children are enjoying learning about this. For Science, the children are doing experiments about Space and are looking at the different gases that are on each planet and the importance of these. .

Literacy

We have enjoyed reading our new novels. Tilly and the Badger and the Magic Carpet Slippers. We are now developing our reading and moving to our new novels. The children should be able to tell you about these. Please encourage your children to read a variety of text as this will help their development.

We will also be working on our handwriting and grammar during our literacy time focussing on nouns, pronouns, adjectives and verbs. We are continuing to work hard on our spelling using a range of strategies to spell tricky words.

Our two genres for this term are **Report and Explanation.**

Things to remember

Please remember to come to school with appropriate clothing for PE such as trainers, a light waterproof/windproof jacket and leggings or joggers.

Our days for PE this year are Monday and Thursday.

Our Outdoor Learning day is Tuesday therefore pupil should bring wellies or shoes they can get dirty.

If bringing a bottle of water to school, please remember this cannot be flavoured water or diluting juice.

Homework

Homework will be posted on Microsoft Teams at 9.00am every Monday morning and should be handed back in to Mrs Dougall on a Friday.

Useful Websites

www.sumdog.com

www.oxfordowl.co.uk

Numeracy

Our main focus for this term has been the continuation of addition and subtraction. We have begun to look at multiplying large numbers, this will develop through the coming weeks. Before Christmas we will also begin to deepen our knowledge of division.

The children have also been learning about the different units of measure and how we can use this life skill out with school.

Our number talks and mental maths will continue to be a part of our everyday maths lessons to practice developing these skills.

Upcoming events:

- In-service Day: 15th November 2021
- Christmas Holiday: Thursday 23rd December – 10th January 2022.