

Dear Parents,

We hope you all had a wonderful summer and that you are refreshed and ready for the new term. Miss Small (5M), Mrs Beagley (5N) and Mrs Maytham (5T) will be teaching the classes on Thursday mornings.

A high standard of handwriting and presentation across all subjects continues to be a focus.

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| Topic | Our topic is Brazil. It is a geography-based topic with a focus on climate, urban geography, economy and culture. We will also be looking at food and tourism. |
| Science | Throughout this unit, children will consolidate their knowledge of forces. They will use their understanding to explain a range of familiar phenomena such as gravity, friction and resistance. |
| Maths | Maths will focus on calculating efficiently and accurately for addition and subtraction as well as studying place value, decimals and new methods of multiplication and division. We will have a regular focus on multiplication facts, factors and products. |
| English | In English, we will be studying classical fiction and in particular the works of Rudyard Kipling; focusing on his use of language and character portrayal. We will also begin to look at The Iron Man as a basis for debating and writing persuasive arguments. |
| PE | Gymnastics: 5M/5N Wednesday mornings, 5T Friday mornings Games (Football): 5N/5T Thursday afternoons, 5M Friday afternoons It is important that all children bring in their full PE kit, including trainers. Please ensure all garments are labelled clearly. |
| RE | We will be exploring how the Christian message has survived over 2000 years. |
| Computing | We will be using object based graphics software (Google SketchUp) to learn how to create, move, rotate, label and resize shapes. This will culminate in the children designing their own ideal rooms or buildings. |
| Art | We will be studying objects and meaning. In this unit we will investigate the work of artists who have used the theme of still life in a variety of ways to convey ideas and feelings. We will then go on to select, arrange and present objects in a still-life pastel drawing. |
| Music | Our learning this term will be centred on 'Livin' on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi. |
| French | We will be preparing and practising a simple conversation, re-using familiar vocabulary and structures in new contexts and preparing a short presentation on a familiar topic. |
| Trips | Primary Proms at the Royal Albert Hall (11 th October) |

Maths homework will be given out on Mondays, to be completed for Friday.

Spelling lists will be issued on Wednesdays, to be learned for the following Wednesday in advance of a test.

Finally, Topic/English homework will be given out on Friday to be handed in on Monday after the weekend.

Yours sincerely,

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