

# Year 5 – Pentecost Term

Our team:

Mrs Moore, Miss Shaw, Mrs Woodward, Mrs Bottoms, including Mr Connolly (PE) and Mrs Newham (music)



## Welcome Back

We would like to welcome everybody back to the Pentecost Term in Year 5. We have a lot to look forward to this term and are grateful for all your continued support.

## Mathematics

We follow the White Rose program. We will focus on fluency before tackling problems, with a focus on providing reasoning and depth of understanding. This term we are focusing on Decimals, Properties of Shape, Position and Direction, Units of Measurement and Volume.

Knowing basic times tables and division facts are vital to year 5, please support your child in practising these regularly.

## RE

Our RE topics from the 'Come and See' scheme this term will be:

- Transformation
- Freedom and Responsibility
- Stewardship

## Our Curriculum

Our history topic for this half term is Journeys (Migration to Britain). Within this topic, we will learn about migration from Ireland in the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, the migration of the Windrush generations as well as the movement of refugees in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries.

In science, we are finishing our topic of Materials and their Properties. We will be learning about irreversible and reversible changes as well as applying our learning to decide which materials should be used for different jobs. We will then follow this with our topic of Living Things.

In the second half term our geography topic will be Climate Change and Pollution. Within this topic, we will learn about the causes and impact of global warming.

## English

This term we will be writing: formal and informal letters, palindrome poems and balanced arguments linked to our Journeys topic. Next half term we will be writing: diaries and persuasive posters linked to our Climate Change topic.

*Our class text is 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Raúf. We will also be sharing a range of other texts in our reading for pleasure time.*

Please continue to support your child in practising the year 5 and 6 spelling lists, talking to them about books and listening to them read.

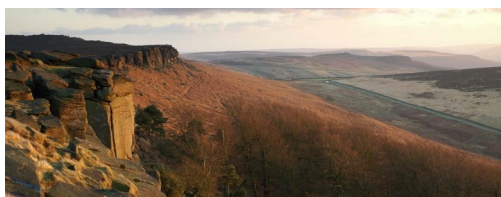


### How can you help your child at home?

Children should be reading at home **EVERY** day. It is very important that you read with your children at home and make a note in their Homework Diary.

If you have written a message in your child's Homework Diary, please ask your child to show it to a staff member.

Please practise the KIRFs sent home each half term, with your child. Times tables should be practised on Times Tables Rock Stars regularly.



### Nuts

Please be aware that no nuts or nut products are permitted on the school premises or on trips. This is because a number of pupils have severe nut allergies. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.

Please ensure that your child has **appropriate weather gear** such as a rain coat, winter coat or sunhat. Sun cream should be applied at home where necessary.

### P.E. Day

P.E. for Year 5 will be taking place each Thursday with Mr Connolly and each Tuesday with their class teacher. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their P.E. kit (**white T-shirt, navy blue or black shorts**) on these days.

Children with pierced ears must remove studs at home before coming to school on these days. Any new piercings must be covered with tape.

### Hathersage

We are all looking forward to the Year 5 residential to Hathersage in June.

During our visit, the children will be able to try out orienteering, complete a stream study, climb to the top of Stanage Edge, study the village of Hathersage and swim in the outdoor pool!

The children will gain so much from their visit and we know they are already looking forward to all the activities.



### Dates for your Diary for the Pentecost Term

**17<sup>th</sup> May** – Hathersage Meeting 5.30pm

**17<sup>th</sup> May** – Class Photographs

**25<sup>th</sup> May** – Jubilee Celebration Day

**27<sup>th</sup> May** – PTA 'Bend the Rules' Non-Uniform Day

**30<sup>th</sup> May - 3<sup>rd</sup> June** - Half Term

**8<sup>th</sup> June** – Return to school

**6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> June** – 5AM Hathersage

**8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> June** – 5MS Hathersage

**22<sup>nd</sup> June** – KS2 'Book Look'

**1<sup>st</sup> July** – Summer Fayre

**25<sup>th</sup> July** – Last Day of Term

### Guitar

The children in year 5 have really been enjoying guitar with Mr Walters on Mondays. This will continue this term. We hope to share our learning with you in a performance later on in the term, with a date to be confirmed.

Keep up to date with calendar events and newsletters visit:

[www.goodshepherd.notts.sch.uk](http://www.goodshepherd.notts.sch.uk)

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