



St Mary's CEP School, Dover

Learning for life with God as our guide

CLASS 5 NEWSLETTER



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



Terms 5 and 6 2026

It's been an incredibly busy 2 terms in Class 5! In English, we have enjoyed all of the texts we have explored together, finishing the year with a Haiku poem and Neil Armstrong's Lunar landing diary. A firm favourite of the class was their own versions of a traditional tale - Why Compassion Bears Fruit. Maths has been a whirlwind of shape, position and direction, decimals, negative numbers and many, many others! In our History and Geography topics, we have explored Deserts in Term 5 and the Ancient Greeks in Term 6 which the children engaged with well. Computing had us programming using Micro:bits that was thoroughly engaging, as well as covering Relationships and Changing Me in PSHE which the children explored online communities, staying safe online and the changing nature of growing up! Enrichment saw Class 5 enjoying a trip to the Mosque as part of RE curriculum which was enjoyed by all and being part of the Charlton Music Festival. In Science, we have researched Properties and Changes in Materials (Alien Soup was a highlight!) and Living Things and their Habitats, including a trip to the Fort for bug-hunting the very last week of school to explore the varied lifecycles around us. Finally, over the last two terms, a particular highlight has been the Mini-Medics programme. Medics learned first-aid and we feel very confident they could look after others with their learning! We are so proud of the hard work they've completed!

Homework

Homework is set on a Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday.

Tasks are designed to extend and consolidate the themes covered in class. There will usually be a Maths or English challenge and another activity linked to our on-going topics.

Your support with this is much appreciated. Children that complete and return get a sticker and 5 house points.

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In terms 5 and 6, Class 5 have had a great deal of fun learning tennis ball skills and matches, athletics (pacing and events) and OAA (Outdoor Adventurous Activities). They used team work, resilience and listening skills effectively in these lessons. Of particular fun were the Rounders sessions, which showcased Class 5's amazing batting and fielding skills!

Athletics came in handy with an exciting Sports Day in Term 6 and Inter-house Competitions in Term 5.

Reading

Classes 3 - 6

The children in Key Stage 2 are all given a reading book that is matched to their Accelerated Reader level. We assess this termly and adjust the choice of their books accordingly. As the books are different lengths, the children can return them when finished and select a new book to take home. Additionally, they have their library book at school which they can read. Alongside their reading book, they have a purple reading record that is for you (and them) to record every time your child reads at home. They should be reading 5-10 minutes a day at home to ensure they have the reading skills necessary.

Every time your child brings their purple reading book in on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that week, they get a smelly sticker and 5 house points, plus a raffle ticket for a chance to win a termly book bundle!

Contact

Please feel free to contact by email - I will always endeavour to reply as soon as possible.

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Super Learning in Class 5



Thank you
for your
continued
support!

Miss C Race

