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'Following
Jesus in all we do'

Year 5 Curriculum overview, Autumn Term 1 13.09.2019

Key Dates

Monday 14th October 2:45pm – Year 5 class assembly

Wednesday 16th October – trip to Beeline Festival, more information to follow

Monday 21st October – KS2 Harvest assembly and open morning

Wednesday 6th November – Parents Evening

Dear Year 5,

Welcome back to another exciting year at St Joseph's. There are many things for us to do this half term and we are looking forward to enjoying these with you.

In English, this half term, we will be focussing on the book 'The Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. Our reading and writing tasks will be centred on developing a deep understanding of the characters within the book. Grammar activities will also be addressed daily and as independent tasks in English lessons. We will be expecting you to read to a parent or adult at least twice a week. Your parents should sign your Reading Record to say they have heard you read. As well as this we will be asking you to read independently and record this in your Reading Record, which we will be checking regularly. You will be given a set of spellings to learn each week. As well as this, you should focus on the spelling of your common exception words for years 1, 2, 3 and 4. These can be found on the Year 5 Class page.

In Maths, this half term, we will be focussing on place value and addition and subtraction. Times tables must be practised regularly to develop speed of recall. Weekly times table tests will be happening, but you will be focussing on improving your own score every single week.

Our topic this term is The Victorians. Exploring, empathising and understanding will be the key skills which we will be developing throughout the topic. Get ready to learn about the nice and the not so nice aspects of Victorian life

Forces is our science topic this half term. We will be pulling, pushing and dropping throughout this half term to really understand the physics behind gravity.

Within our RE this half term, we will be gaining a better understanding of creating and exploring the miracle stories told by Jesus. If you have any prayers that you would like to share, please bring them in and we can add them to our class prayer book.

PE will be taking place as usual twice per week. Our PE sessions will be on a Wednesday and Friday, and we will be covering 'outdoor and adventure,' and netball/basketball.

For this half term, you will only have one piece of homework (not including spellings, times tables and reading tasks) per week. This will either be a Maths task or an English task. Sometimes, I might need you to research something connected to one of our topics and this will be in addition to your weekly Maths or English task. After half term, you will be doing a Maths and an English homework task each week So, let's have fun and begin our learning in a positive way!

From Mr Bowring and Mrs Masters

