










# Holy Cross Catholic Primary School

## CURRICULUM INFORMATION

### Year 5 Spring Term 1









Subject	What are we learning?	How can you help at home?
<b>English – Writing</b> 	<p>Through 'Kai and the Monkey King.' By Joe Todd-Stanton we will be creating a narrative, creating our own ending for the text.</p> <p>Secondly, we will be looking at the text 'Inside the Villains' by Clotilde Perrin. Through this text we will be writing a narrative based on a traditional tale.</p>	<p>Support your child with careful handwriting, punctuation, and spelling whenever they're writing at home.</p> <p>We will be starting our spelling scheme, Spelling Shed, this half term. Your child may bring home some spellings they have already had depending on which stage spelling group your child is in.</p>
<b>English – Reading</b> 	<p>We will develop our reading skills through the texts 'Return to Wonderland' by Various Authors</p> <p>During our reading lessons, we will be making inferences, making predictions, summarizing, and identifying key themes within the text.</p>	<p>We would love you to hear your child read as often as possible, and they will bring home a school reading book.</p> <p>Talk about the books your child is reading, ask them what's happened so far, or what they think will happen next. Discuss any new vocabulary. Talk about how a character might be feeling and why.</p>
<b>Maths</b> 	<p>In maths, we will be looking at Place value with measurement and Fractions with Geometry. We will be learning about how things are measured, finding equivalency within volume and mass and calculating with them.</p> <p>We will then improve newly learnt skills using new methods to solve problems. Finally applying this onto measurement between ml and L and g and KG.</p>	<p>Support your child by practising the methods they have learnt. Get them to show their working out!</p> <p>You can try and have fun with mathematics and incorporate it into activities with your children.</p> <p>Finally, use Timestables Rockstars to practice their timestables recall in a designated time!</p>
<b>RE</b> 	<p>In RE we will finish our learning about Christmas where we will explore the Christmas story in greater detail and looks at some of the difficulties encountered by the Holy Family as a result of the Birth of Jesus.</p> <p>We will then move on to learning about Revelation. Where we will consider the recognition of God's revelation of Himself in Jesus, by John the Baptist. The importance of baptism and the study of parables to assist with our understanding of the Kingdom of God.</p>	<p>Discuss the Christmas story with your child, what can they remember? What do they think is important?</p> <p>Discuss the parables read in class with your child, what message have they taken from them?</p>
<b>History</b> 	<p>In History this half term we will be studying the topic 'The Shang Dynasty' We will find out what the Bronze Age was like in China, consulting ancient history books and archaeological finds to compare evidence and draw conclusions about a wide range of features.</p>	<p>Support your child by discuss your child's learning with them, what can they recall about The Shang?</p>
<b>French</b> 	<p>In French, we will be continuing our learning on the topic 'All About Ourselves' We will learn vocabulary about parts of the body, clothes and describing our hair and eyes so we can write descriptions about ourselves or someone else in French. We will learn new vocabulary about emotions and illnesses, which is an ideal way to introduce health-related language.</p>	<p>Practice the French words and phrases with your child. Recap these throughout the term to aid their fluency and recall.</p>
<b>Science</b> 	<p>In science, we will be looking at the topic 'Scientists and Inventors.' We will look at discoveries and inventions from the development of the software that took Apollo 11 to the Moon, to the invention of Kevlar, which is now used in bulletproof vests. It also looks at the classification of Pluto as a dwarf planet and examines different scientific theories about the importance of Stonehenge to the people who built it.</p>	<p>Look at different scientist and inventions with your child. Discuss which their favourite is and why?</p> <p>What invention do they think has helped the world?</p>



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<b>Art &amp; Design</b> 	This term we will be looking at sculpting with clay, each creating 'The Willow plate.' We will be learning about the different types of styles of sculpting and painting to tell stories. We will be practising different sculpture techniques before finishing our final design and sculpting and painting a willow patterned plate.	Experiment with different techniques at home with your child.
<b>PE</b> 	In PE we will be learning tennis and badminton. During these activities we will develop our skills of serving and batting and learning new team techniques. <b><u>Long hair must be tied up and earrings removed.</u></b>  Our PE days are <b>Wednesdays and Thursdays</b>	Please also make sure your child has the correct PE kit. Children should come into school wearing PE kits. We may do PE outside so please ensure your child is dressed accordingly. Information on required PE kit can be found on our website: <a href="http://www.holycrosscpri.iow.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/591997">http://www.holycrosscpri.iow.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/591997</a>
<b>PSHE</b> 	PSHE this half term continues to be 'Created and loved by God.' Rooted in the teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God, it helps us to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing ourselves as the basis for personal relationships.	Discuss your child's learning with them, what do they remember? What have they learnt? Discuss with them the importance of the relationships they have.
<b>Music</b> 	Our music immersion day this half term will be linked to our history topic of The Shang Dynasty.	Encourage your child to share their musical understanding at home. Could you listen to some traditional Chinese music together? What does your child like about it? What don't they like about it?
<b>Computing</b> 	In computing, we will be looking at 'Selection in Physical Computing.' Where we will use physical computing to explore the concept of selection in programming through the use of the Microbit programming environment.	Discuss the learning with your child, can they remember things from the lesson?
<b>Homework</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Daily reading – recording it in the reading record (15mins). <b>Children need their reading book and reading record in school every day.</b></li><li>• Daily Times tables practise – <a href="#">TT Rock Stars</a> (5mins)</li><li>• Weekly Maths, Grammar and Reading (Given out on Friday due in the following Thursday)</li><li>• Weekly Spellings (Given out on a Friday and testing the following Friday)</li></ul>	