

## Important dates for Year 5:

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January** – 5B class assembly

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January** – 5J class assembly

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February** – Half term

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – Cycling Proficiency

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February** – Ash Wednesday Service

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March** – Parent Consultations

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March** – Mother's Day Mass at Church

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** – End of term, school closes at 1.30pm

### How can I help at home?

- ✓ Please help your child to be organised with their time to ensure homework is completed. Four pieces should be completed by Easter and MyMaths homework should be completed weekly.
- ✓ Help your child to be organised –
  - Are there any letters for me in your bag?
  - Have you got your reading book? Pencil case?
  - Is your completed homework in there too?

# Ss Alban and Stephen Catholic Junior School



## Year 5 Parent Information Booklet

What your child will be learning about this term and how you can help at home

Spring Term 2020

## Literacy

We are beginning the term by reading the book Viking Boy by Tony Bradman. We will look at character and setting descriptions and write our own stories based around this.

We are then going to study 'The Highwayman' narrative poem by Alfred Noyes.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

*Please encourage your children to practice their spellings each week and ask them about their learning. If you would like to revise or practice grammar learning, please have a look at*

*[http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling\\_grammar/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/)*

*Please practise weekly spellings and look at the Year 3 and 4 spelling lists and ensure the children can spell all of these words.*

## Maths

We have started our unit on fractions and will be looking at using these in simple calculations. We will then move on to decimals and percentages.

### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

*Please keep practicing the times tables up to 12, as all children should know them by now. BBC Bitesize is a useful revision tool.*

*<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/>*

## R.E.

### Mission

We will look at how we can continue Jesus's mission in the diocese.

### Memorial Sacrifice

This unit will look at how the Eucharist is the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice.

### Sacrifice

We consider to season of Lent and how observing this allows us to remember and align with Jesus.

## Foundation Subjects

### History

We will look at the Vikings.

- Where did they come from?
- What was their effect on England?
- How did they live?

### Art/D.T.

We will use our sketching techniques to draw our own Viking figureheads and longboats. We will also be experimenting with some cross stitch to create an image.

*HOW YOU CAN HELP: Please could all children have an old shirt or art apron in school that they could use when we are using paint.*

### Science

#### Materials and their Properties

We will study different materials and how they interact with other materials and how we can use their properties to separate different mixture.

#### The Earth in Space

We will be looking at the Earth, the Sun and the Moon and how these move. We will also be learning about night and day, the seasons and phases of the Moon.

**PE:** Circuits and Gymnastics

### Music

The topics will be Voice and Rhythm, including following graphic notation and performing as a group whilst maintaining a rhythm and pulse.

**Computing:** We are Artists – we will be exploring the effect of loops and 'repeat' commands in creating effective programs which we will then apply to creating abstract patterns.

In **MFL** we will revisit what we have learned already to ensure that the children have a good grounding from which to further progress their knowledge. We will then extend their conversational skills.