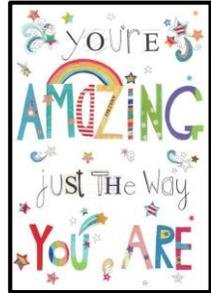




St Gregory's Catholic Academy Curriculum Newsletter Year 5

Autumn Term



Please make sure you are all connected on ClassDojo so that you do not miss any news or updates specific to Year 5.

Wellbeing



We will be focussing on our own mental health and how to support each other during these unprecedented times. From this, we will have lots of discussion around our feelings and how to deal with feelings or worry.

Religious Education

During our first topic, Ourselves, we delve into “the ideal family” which is found in the Scriptures. God is the loving parent of the human family and Jesus was born and lived in a human family. We will explore our gifts and qualities which can be developed. As we move onto the second topic, Life Choices, we explore how our lives are marked by many different experiences of being welcomed into new situations and groups.



English

In English, we will begin with developing our understanding of figurative language (similes, metaphors, personification) and incorporate this into our narrative writing. We will continue to reinforce previously taught punctuation and grammar. The children will continue to receive weekly spellings to practise at home. We continue to use Reading Plus, alongside reading in class, to further develop our reading skills.



Maths

We will begin with a place value topic which will include: reading and writing numbers to 1,000,000; rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000, 10,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000; comparing and ordering numbers; negative numbers; and Roman numerals. We will then consolidate our skills across the four calculations, incorporations larger numbers.



Science

Living Things and Their Habitats is our first topic this year. As part of their life cycle, plants and animals reproduce and within this topic we will explore how they do this. Children will use and develop keys and other information records to identify, classify and describe living things and materials, and identify patterns that might be found in the natural environment.



History / Geography

Our History topic is Victorian Britain and the Industrial Revolution. We will investigate the changes that occurred in Britain during this time. This will include a local study around the development of the Stockton- Darlington railway. Our Geography topic will be the Japanese Tsunami of 2011. We will explore where Japan is, what happened, why it happened, the long-term and short-term effects, and the primary and secondary effects of the tsunami.



The Arts

In Art, we will be developing our drawing skills, carrying out observational drawings of objects linked to our other topics. In Design Technology we will be learning about construction.



RSE

We will begin with ‘Me, My Body, My Health,’ which will involve looking how our bodies change during puberty, before moving on to ‘Emotional Wellbeing.’

PE

Year 5 PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure all children are dressed in the appropriate PE kit. This term we will be doing tag rugby followed by fitness development.



MFL

Hola!
In Spanish, we will consolidate our prior learning before moving onto family, pets and the alphabet.

