



January 2016

Dear parent/carer

Welcome back from the Christmas break and we hope that pupils are well rested and ready to continue learning.

We would like to remind you that high standards are set in all areas, especially behaviour, academic work and appearance, with consideration for others being a key element in our Church School. School uniform is an important aspect of gaining a sense of pride and we do ask parents to ensure that all pupils are correctly attired for school and that children have appropriate PE kit available all week.

Over the next term, Year 5 will be following units of work on the themes: 'Artists' and 'Moving Toys'. During these units we will be focusing on Art and Technology.

In Technology, we'll be:

- Researching existing products
- Design a Moving Toy
- Working with a variety of tools and materials with developing accuracy
- Evaluating and appraising our own and other peoples work
- Learning about mechanisms (pulleys and levers)

In Art, we'll be:

- Understanding how artists use materials, forms and techniques to express their emotions, observations and experiences
- Learning to communicate through visual forms
- Learning to make judgements about works of art; showing understanding, appreciation, respect and enjoyment as appropriate

Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, working on their own and working in groups. We will be checking to see how well your child has learned through particular activities and asking children to explain their work.

We already know the interest you take in your child's work. If you can, please discuss with your child the work they have done as the term progresses so they can share their knowledge. If you have the chance to further their interest in the ideas of these themes please take it, as your enthusiasm and interest is most important.

During the second half of the term, Year 5 will be involved in the Years 4 and 5 Production. Please support your child in learning the words to the songs.

Forthcoming Events

Parent Consultations will take place on Monday 14 March and Thursday 17 March.

Years 4 and 5 Production: Wednesday 30 March (afternoon) and Thursday 31 March (evening).

If you have any other questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us either at the end of the day, through the office or via your child's contact book. It has been a pleasure for staff to work with Year 5 so far this academic year and we all look forward to a positive and successful spring term. The term ends on Friday 1 April.

Yours sincerely

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