

Year 5 & 6 Learning Leaflet

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Meet the team:

Mr Evans

Mrs Franks

Miss James

Ms Rorbach

Miss Bitulu

Mrs Kimberley

Mr Daley

Mr Perkins

Miss Lovelock

Mrs Gostick

Upper Key Stage 2 Introduction...

Welcome to Year 5 and 6.

We hope that you and your child/children enjoy working with the year 5 and 6 team. We have already planned many exciting learning activities to ensure that learning's challenging, interesting and fun!

The classrooms will open at 8.30am. The curriculum is fast paced in Year 5 and 6 and so it is important that children arrive on time in order to register at 8.45am. They also need to visit the school library before fluency lessons start at 8.50am.

There are a few items that your child will need at home to help make their learning experience complete:

- A dictionary and thesaurus to complete English homework,
- Pencils, pens & crayons to complete projects set over the school year,
- A ruler for maths homework and for general presentation, eg: underlining dates, titles and spellings in their weekly homework.

Homework will be set daily (Monday-Thursday) and will usually need to be handed in the following morning.

Also, please ensure that your child wears their PE kit to school on a **Wednesday and Friday** for the Autumn term:

Black pumps

White t-shirt

Black shorts/trousers



PE on Wednesday is played outside so please also ensure your child is wearing a warm black or purple jumper as the weather gets cooler.

All school clothing needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name to prevent loss.

Many thanks,

Y56 Staff



Please try to...

Ensure your child brings their reading packet and completed school diary daily.....

Make sure you have signed your child's home school diary to check they have read and completed homework daily.

practice times

tables and spelling

patterns with your child each day to help their fluency skills.

Thanks

The Autumn Term Curriculum

Maths

Four number rules

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Word problems

Data Handling, Shape, Measure

Science

Living things & classification

Topic (History & Geography)

Tudor England & Monarchs

The Great Fire of London,

The Plague and The Gunpowder Plot

Geographical skills & Knowledge

Land Ahoy!



Sport

Football & Tag Rugby

Basketball and Dodgeball

Mr Perkins

English

Non Fiction Writing—instructions

Longer Novels—The Wreck of the Zanzibar by M Morpurgo,

William Shakespeare Plays

Historical Novels—Raven Boy by Pippa Goodhart

Grammar and Spelling

Reading challenges—range of genre

ICT

Presentation Design

Spreadsheets and Presentations

RE

Sacrament of Confirmation

Creation

Miracles & Sacrament of the Sick

Advent & Christmas

Please, please, please.

Complete the school diary with your child, signing every evening after reading with them. This helps create a positive and supportive culture for your child to learn within. Reading should be for at least **25 minutes daily**.

Please inform the class teacher if your child can not have photographs taken/included on the school website or social media pages.

Please also keep your child's teacher up to date with **food allergies, medication** etc so that your child is always supervised and provided for with the correct level of care and attention.

If your child uses an asthma inhaler or any other type of medication in school—such as an Epipen—please make sure that they are in date by checking with the class teacher. You will be asked to update any medical plans we have in school in the first few weeks of the new school year starting.

Thank you

Key Dates for: Autumn Term—First Half

Monday 1st September	School Closed - Teacher Day
Tuesday 2nd September	School Closed - Teacher Day
Wednesday 3rd September	School Opens—Autumn term begins! Values— Tolerance , Grateful & Generous
Monday 8th September	School Mass— 9.15am
Wednesday 10th September	Y56 Phase Parent meeting—3pm in the hall
Tuesday 16th September	Miss Bitulu's year 6 before school maths group starts (Enter school via office at 7:50 a.m) (by invitation)
Wednesday 17th September	Miss Kimberley's year 6 before school maths group starts (Enter school via office at 7:50 a.m) (by invitation)
Thursday 18th September	Mrs Franks' year 6 before school maths group starts (Enter school via office at 7:50 a.m) (by invitation)
Tuesday 23rd September	Y56 Parish Mass
Friday 26th September	European Language Day
Wednesday 1st October	Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 2nd October	National Poetry Day Y5 Year of Hope morning session (details TBC)
Friday 24th October	Half term break begins at 3pm!
Monday 3rd November	School opens

Please read the weekly newsletter for regular diary updates including information about school visits or experiences.

National Expectations for Children in Year 5 and 6

At the end of Year 6 there are SATs tests to reflect the new curriculum which started in 2014. Children will now receive a scaled score instead of a level. Their raw score - the actual number of marks they achieve - will be converted into a scaled score; this helps to allow for differences in the difficulty of the tests from year to year so that pupils' results can be compared accurately.

You will be told your child's raw score, scaled score and whether they have reached the national standard for that subject.

Children will also be matched against 'performance descriptors' (in other words what pupils are expected to know and be able to do at the time of assessment) when being assessed by their teachers in non-tested subjects at the end of the year to see if they've achieved the expected standard.

So, how can you continue to help at home?

Please check the school website for useful links to assist learning and development:

<http://www.stmary-stben.coventry.sch.uk>

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Other useful web links to support all areas of the school curriculum:

English:

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

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar>

Science:

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

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/gamesactivities.html>

Maths:

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

<http://www.mymaths.co.uk>

REMEMBER— your child can log into **MyMaths** with the following login details:

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Purple Mash is also an **EXCELLENT** website to help your child develop cross curricular skills. Please encourage your child to login and make use of the online resources. Their login details will be in their **Home/School Diary**.

Also.....

Your child will be learning about the 'The Tudor Monarchs'—if you could help them research this, perhaps take them to the local library—that would be fantastic.

Our 'Tudor Challenge' this first half term is to create a portrait of one of the following famous people for a gallery in school: Sir Walter Raleigh, Lady Jane Grey, Sir Francis Drake, Christopher Columbus. It could be a collage, painting, drawing, sculpture... Projects to be brought in by 30th September. Thank you for your support.

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