



Welcome to the Spring Term! We hope you have all had a fabulous Christmas! We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during this time in Year 5. We really do appreciate it. Also, we would like to thank you for your generous Christmas gifts. They were lovely! This term we will be delving into lots of interesting topics, such as Shakespeare, performing poetry and stop motion animation, to name but a few. The children will also be learning about the Victorians, which is an interesting period of history that we really enjoy learning about.

Homework

Homework books will continue to be sent home this Spring term and it is very important the children complete these on a weekly basis. Spellings are equally as important and are still set on Spelling Shed. We have noticed a dip in the number of children practising spellings and an increasing number who only practise the night before the test and so would appreciate your help in getting your child to practise daily – a little but often, is best for the long-term memory.

Homework will be due in on the same days

English Homework: Wednesday to Wednesday

Maths Homework: Friday to Friday

Spellings: Thursday to Thursday

Reading

Could we please ask for your continued support with regard to your child reading at home. We know that the children enjoy reading to themselves, but it is still extremely important for you to listen to them read on a regular basis, in order for them to develop their comprehension skills, fluency and speed of reading. Every Friday we check reading records and the children are rewarded for their efforts. We expect a minimum of three reads a week, at least one of which should be with an adult.

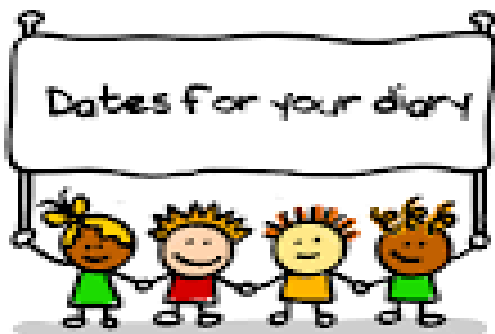
Website

Please keep an eye out on the school website, especially our class page. We update it every half term with some pictures and information about what we've been doing in class.

<https://www.st-andrews-worsley.salford.sch.uk/year-5-4/>

Food in school

Could we please remind parents that snacks, packed lunches and birthday treats brought into school should not contain nuts of any kind as we have children in our year group with a nut allergy.



Disco – 13th February

Parents' Evening – 17th & 18th March

Year 5 Assembly for parents – 3rd April (3pm)

Easter Egg Hunt – 1st April



Topics for this term

Below is a general overview of the topics we will be covering this term.

Maths	Fractions, decimals and percentages, multiplication and division, area and perimeter
English	Alma, Shakespeare, performance poetry, narrative poetry
Science	Properties and changes of materials
Computing	Online safety, Data handling, Stop motion animation
RE	What do religions say to us when life gets hard? Easter - Victory
PSHE	Mental and physical health, British values: Rule of law and tolerance.
History	The Victorians
PE/GAMES	Gymnastics, Tennis