ST. JOHN'S C. OF E.
PRIMARY SCHOOL
BELIEVE AND SUCCEED

Working within the context of Christian beliefs and practice:

At St John's our children and their families always come first.

We value our children's feelings, creativeness and success in their learning equally, helping each child's love of learning grow, whilst also developing their interior posture.

At St John's our Core Christian Values are

Compassion Interior Posture

Wisdom Courage and Endurance

Life in all its fullness at its heart

John 10:10

Year 5 Autumn 2

Cedar and Laurel

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Miss Carroll – Cedar Teacher/KS2 Phase Leader 	Miss King – Laurel Teacher 	Mr Firth – PE Lead Teacher 	Miss Fisher – Cover Supervisor 	Mrs Hanif – Cover Supervisor 
Miss Simpson– Cover Supervisor 	Mrs Mitchell – Music Teacher 	Mrs Cooper –Learning Support Assistant 	Mrs Iqbal - Learning Support Assistant 	Miss Afshar - HLTA
Mrs Baker – SENDCO 	Miss Stitch – KS2 Phase Leader 	Mrs Shields – Lead Learning Mentor	Mrs Smith – KS2 Learning Mentor 	

English
In English this half term, we will be going on a journey through the novel 'Kaspar Prince of Cats'. We will be looking at developing our reading skills, getting to know the characters and producing some writing through the form of newspaper reports and narrative retellings. Nearer to Christmas, we will also be using animations as an alternative way to develop our reading and writing skills.
Maths
Our Maths learning this half term we will be looking at multiplication and division. The children will identify multiples and factors, know and use the vocabulary of prime numbers and prime factors. They will move to multiplying and dividing whole numbers by multiples of 10 and learn the written methods for multiplication and division by single and two-digit numbers.
Science
In Science we will be investigating forces, including gravity, air resistance and water resistance. This is a great unit for practical work and children will be working scientifically by investigating different shapes of parachute. They will also further identify and classify forces acting on an object in certain situations.
Religious Education
Our focus in RE this half term will be exploring the big question "Was Jesus the Messiah?" We will be looking at Gospel texts, making connections and relating what we have learnt about us, our lives and the community.
Personal Social Health Education
In PSHE we will be looking at the topic of Celebrating Difference. This section of our work looks at aspects of similarity and difference, developing ideas of being unique and protecting that concept.
Computing
In Computing this half term, we will be looking at animation. Children will find out about GIFs, their use and develop their own ideas before creating a GIF themselves. There will be the chance to create digital art using images that are edited and enhanced. Our e-safety will consider how best to be kind on-line.
Curriculum
Our curriculum topics this half term will be History - Ancient Greece and Design/Technology. The Ancient Greeks have influenced the Western World, and we will be exploring what impact that has on us today. In DT we will be creating Christmas cards with moving parts, using knowledge from our Science topic.
Music
Children will be looking this half term at their Christmas concert performance song. This will be linked to learning around Musical Theatre exploring the idea of acting through singing, solo, duet and ensemble pieces and the importance of lyrics. Year 5 will also learn to evaluate and describe existing music through the use of their element keywords. In singing we will continue to develop our ability to hold a harmony and follow a tempo.
Physical Education
This half term in KS2 PE, children will be focusing on 2 topics. This includes defend, attack, score and serve, strike, rally. Children will develop these skills in a range of invasion games such as football and net/wall games such as badminton.
French

In French this half term, we will be continuing the theme of 'seasons'. Children will learn how to pronounce the season names and will continue to learn about the weather conditions in each season.

Additional Information

Our Physical Education lessons are on a Tuesday each week. Children need to attend school wearing their school PE kit for the full day. Our PE kit consists of:

- White school logo / plain t-shirt
- Bottle green school logo / plain hooded sweatshirt
- Black shorts, black jogging trousers, black gym skirt, black cycling shorts or black leggings (a small sports logo is permitted)
- Trainers (children will have a pair of pumps in school already)

We also ask that children with long hair have it tied back for safety during PE lessons.

We encourage children to have a love of reading, not only while they are in school, but at home too. To share this love, please encourage your child to read as well as complete Reading Journals based on books they have read. These can be on any book they read and do not have to be a book they have chosen at school. The reading journal activity booklets provide guidance on how to complete each activity. Children are rewarded for completing different amounts of reading journals. Each term, we have a recommended read book chat with Mr Knight for children who have completed 4 in a row on their recommended read sheet.

By the end of Year 5, we would expect most children to have passed **South America/Central America passport.** Passport tests are on Monday and Friday mornings. Please encourage your child to practise their passport skills as much as possible using the passport practise sheets sent home each week. Children are welcome to take extra sheets if they wish and there is TT Rockstars to use as well! Children that did not achieve the national standard in the year 4 multiplication check, will be asked complete a minimum of two times per week times table homework – either written or on TT rockstars.

Knowledge Organisers can now be found on our school website: https://www.stjohnsceprimary.co.uk/Year-5-KOrganisers/
Please read these with your child to help their learning stick, this will also help with quizzing and recap activities we do in lessons. The children enjoy sharing facts and vocabulary that they have learnt.

Thank you for your continued support and don't forget that you are able to contact us at year5.cedar@stj.bdat-academies.org or year5.laurel@stj.bdat-academies.org
This email will be monitored between the hours of 8.30am and 4pm and responses will be made within 2 working days.

Miss King and Miss Carroll

Online Safety

We value the importance of eSafety at St John's CE Primary. Click the image to take you to our dedicated page on the school website. You can also find updated support through the app on the 'Content' page.



If you would like to share any stories at home, we have access to Oxford Owl where you can read from the eBook Library. Scan the QR code then ***login as a student***

Username: ***stjohnsce23***

Password: ***BD46JF***

St Johns CE Primary School - Homework

Here is a link to reading, writing and maths homework sheets on the school website. The sheets detail which sounds, words and questions children need to read for their phonics/reading level. The writing sheet shows the tricky words they need to learn and an example sentence. The maths sheet includes the strategies we use for calculations.