



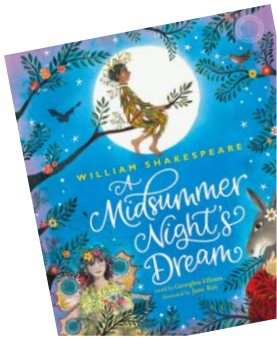
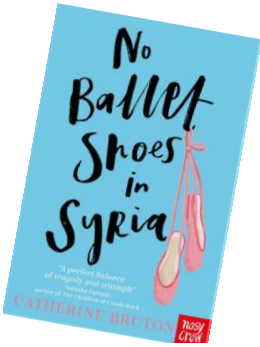
All Saints'
family, faith, flourish
*"God gave you that gift... Now let it flourish, as a
small flame grows into a fire" (2 Timothy 1:6 - ICB)*

Year 5 Spring Term 1



NEWSLETTER

Our class texts...



Key Learning this term...

Literacy: We begin studying poetry about the moon and will focus on similes, metaphors and personification poetry tools to create imagery in our writing. This will be followed up by writing biographies linked to our science topic and playscripts as we read A Midsummer Night's Dream.

Maths: We start the year continuing with fractions (adding and subtracting) and then move into formal methods of multiplication and division. Both topics require children to be sharp on times-tables so keep practicing at home using the TT Rockstars- 5 minutes every day as well as the 30 minute Mathswizz homework. You could spend time going through each times-table up to 12 x12 using post-it notes to help order the numbers and memorise them if you want a non tech version of practicing!

Science: The Solar System – we are understanding the relationships between the sun, the earth and the moon, as well as ordering the planets in the solar system.

History: The Tudors are our focus this half term and we will explore how life differed in Tudor times from today as well as discovering who Henry VIII was and why he was so relevant to British history.

RE: We are studying multi-faith this half term which includes Hinduism, Islam and Christianity. Our discussions centre around charity and generosity, architecture and art and the importance pilgrimage plays to different religions. We will explore, understand and appreciate the pilgrimages Muslim, Hindu and Christian people take and see how many similarities and differences there are.

Art: Developing ideas more independently, pupils consider the purpose of drawings as they investigate how imagery was used in the 'Space race' that began in the 1950s.

PSHE: The topic this term is 'Being healthy' which is a great time to coincide with New Year's resolutions and help the children to understand how different aspects of wellbeing help us both physically and mentally.

French: This half term we will be using our knowledge of numbers, pronouns and key food vocabulary to explore eating in a café.

Music: We continue to learn about notation, composition, rhythm and performance in our steel pan lessons.

Reminders...

Dates for the diary...

WB 14th Jan – Swimming starts back and continues until Easter

20th Jan – Hawthorn class Steel Pan concert.

27th Jan – Lime class Steel Pan concert. Please arrive at the School hall for 10am to take your seats!

29th Jan – Chinese New Year: Year of the Snake.

11th Feb – Safer internet day

14th Feb – Last day of this half term.

24th Feb – Inset day – school closed.

Service: This term, our whole school area for reflection is Service. We will be thinking about how we can serve others in and around school – as well as at home.

MathsWhizz Homework: Please continue to support the children with their regular use of the MathsWhizz website at home. It is a fantastic way of recapping and consolidating the children's learning in a fun, online environment.

Spelling test: Weekly spelling lists are handed out on Monday and will test on Friday. Please encourage children to learn spellings at home every day.

Homework: As well as the 30 minutes on Mathswizz trying to get the 3 blue gems, we will be sending home a grammar and punctuation based homework sheet. We will be checking homework in school on a Wednesday.

Recommended Read!

Our pets bring us so much pleasure and it's painful when we lose them. This book is the first by a new author and tells the story of the loving bond between a boy and his dog as well as the split in his family situation. One day, he finds Digger has a lump and his world is thrown upside down. A great read!



How to get in contact: Please talk to us at the start or end of the day if you have any concerns (either face to face or call the office to arrange a time to chat). Emails can be sent to info@allsaintsfed.derbyshire.sch.uk.