Year 5 Spring 2026

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

St Catherine's CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spring Term

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and are ready for some exciting learning in the term ahead!

Our book this term is Flood by Alvaro F. Villa





English

In our writing we are going to be looking at how Kenning poems work and how we can create our own too. We will also be writing a narrative based on a fantasy theme. We will continue to work hard on our reading, looking at how we can use the text more effectively, to answer questions in our close read and comprehension sessions.

Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on multiplying and dividing two, three and four digit numbers. We will be looking at the concepts of both multiplication and division, as well as using efficient methods to solve both types of calculation.

Science

We will be looking at animals including humans. We will be learning about the stages of different life cycles (reptiles, birds, mammals and insects), and focus on the full life cycle of a human.

PE

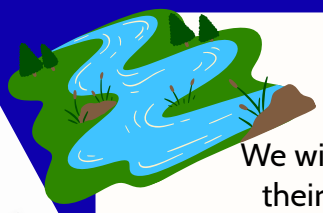
Year 5 will have PE on a Friday. Please ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kits on a Friday.

PE Kit:

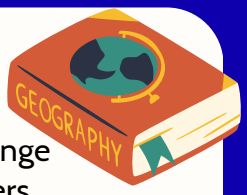
- A plain t-shirt (house coloured, with or without school logo) a pair of black shorts and a pair of trainers/pumps. Black joggers and a black hoodie (with or without school logo) may be worn for outside PE during cold spells,
- Earrings and jewellery are not to be worn during PE lessons and long hair should be tied back.
- Please ensure all uniform and PE kit is labelled with your child's name.

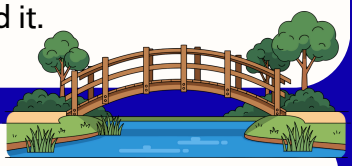
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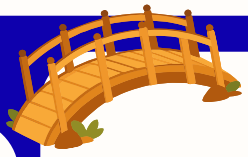
Geography



We will be studying how rivers form and change their course over time. We will create posters explaining how the topography of a river, influences the area around it.



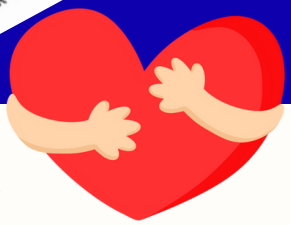




Design Technology

In DT we will be learning about bridges. We will be looking at how bridges are made, not only to carry heavy loads, but also how to deal with external factors such as the weather and natural disasters.





HeartSmart / PSHE

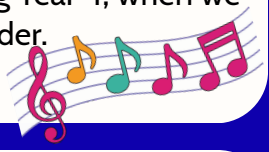
This half term, our HeartSmart topic is "Too Much Selfie Isn't Healthy." The children will reflect on the idea that focusing too much on ourselves can be unhelpful, and that it's important to also notice and support others around us.

Through discussions, activities, and reflections, the children will explore ways to balance self-awareness with empathy, kindness, and attention to the needs of others. This topic encourages personal growth and helps the children develop positive relationships both in and out of school.



Music

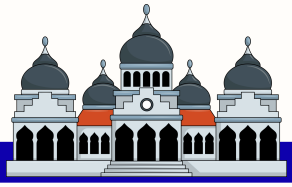
In music we will be starting our whole class violin lessons with Mrs Wharton. We will be building on the music knowledge we gathered during Year 4, when we learnt to play the recorder.



RE



In RE, we will be looking at what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today. We will look at their beliefs and how that impacts their day to day life.





Computing

In our computing sessions we will be looking at spreadsheets and how coding is used to add functions to a spreadsheet.



Dates for diary

- **Tuesday 10th February - Disco**
- **W/C Monday 16th February - Half-Term**
- **Thursday 5th March - World Book Day**
- **Friday 6th March - Golden Ticket Wonder Bars**
- **Friday 13th March - Easter Egg Non-uniform Day**
- **Monday 17th March - Easter Raffle Tickts on Sale**
- **Monday 23rd & Wednesday 25th March - Parents' Evenings**
- **Thursday 26th March - Easter Raffle Prize Draw**
- **Friday 27th March - last day of Spring Term**

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