



Year 5 Autumn Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. Thank you for the warm welcome since I joined Pleasant Street this September!

We have a very busy year ahead of us so we would like to share some information with you about this term including important dates and information about the curriculum content we will be covering in the Autumn Term. Keep an eye on our class blog on the website for regular updates and pictures of what we have been doing in class. Your support throughout this year is key and I thank you in advance for it. You can keep track of what our class is doing by following our school twitter account, you can also visit our class blog via the school's website. If you have not already done so, then please download the school's parent app to keep up to date with what is happening in the school this year @C5Pleasant

If you have not already done so, then please download the school's parent app to keep up to date with what is happening in the school this year.

Your support throughout this year is key and I thank you in advance for it.

Weekly Events:

Monday	Spellings
Tuesday	Music
Wednesday	Spanish
Thursday	P.E: full kit required
Friday	Swimming kit, including towel

Homework: Homework: Children will usually be given at least one piece per week, the homework will be related to topics they have covered recently, it is intended to cement learning which has taken place within the classroom. Homework will usually be issued through SeeSaw, so regular checking will ensure your child excels. For further support on what is expected, please visit the 'Parents' section of our school website.

Reading: Every pupil will read 1:1 with Miss Duncan every week. Those children requiring more support will read on more than one occasion per week. Please read at home with your child regularly and ensure their book is up to date and brought in every day.

Basic Skills: The children complete a basic skills session every morning (9:10-9:40) this covers spellings, comprehension, SPAG and reading. It is important that your child arrives on time each morning to take part in these sessions.

English: The first half term we are reading Henry's Freedom Box. From this text children will write their own diary entries. In the second half of the term children will read 'FarTher' and will produce writing around this that consists of letter writing and a setting description.

Maths: We will be covering the following topics in Maths: decimal fractions, money, negative numbers, multiplication and division and area and scaling. Place value and the 4 operations will be covered in basic skills sessions.

Science: This term the children will find out materials and their properties. In lessons they will spend time looking at dissolving, separating and filtering.

Computing: In sessions the children will be looking at producing their own databases and programming. They might find it useful to take part in programming lessons on Hour of Code in their free time to help them with their skills.

History: Our topic this half term is Anglo Saxons, they will also be visiting Martin Meer to be an Anglo-Saxon for the day. Please help your children to learn the key vocabulary words attached.

Geography: Our topic this term is North America. Please help your children to learn the key vocabulary words attached.

RE: We are studying 'what would Jesus do?' this term.

PSHE: We are looking at smoking and staying healthy.

Music: The children will be singing with Mrs. Grindley and learning about different musical genres.

Spanish: The children will continue to learn Spanish phrases and vocabulary with Mrs. Grindley.

Art: In the second half of the term children will be learning about the artists Yoyoi Kusama and Yinka Shonibare and produce work in a similar style.

DT: Children are researching, making and evaluating soup this half term.

Some useful vocabulary – please discuss with your children at home to support learning

Art	Colour theory, monochromatic, split complimentary, triadic, analogous, geometric shapes, technique	Science	Electrical and non-electrical conductivity, dissolving, filtering, soluble, insoluble, residue, solution
Music	Tempi, melodies, ostinato, harmony, scale, elements	Maths	Place value, hundreds, tenths, thousands, decimals, negative numbers
RE	Forgiveness, justice, fairness, generosity, moral dilemmas	SPAG	Fronted adverbials, parenthesis,
History	Archaeologist, invader, settler, evidence, artefact, settlement, Anglo-Saxon, significance, culture, cemetery	Computing	Database, information, record, field, retrieval, search, keywords, ascending, descending
DT	Utensils, combine, fold, stir, pour, mix, seasonality, intolerance	Geography	Erosion, biome, canyon, geology, import, export, population distribution, population density, settlements, trade links

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss McDonald and Miss Duncan

