

St Philip Westbrook News

Year 5 Newsletter: Friday 7th September 2018

Autumn 1

A polite reminder that homework needs to be completed and handed in by Wednesday. Please ensure that you check your child's homework with them, and that work is completed neatly in either pencil, black pen or blue pen.

Our Learning

We will start the halfterm with our topic of 'The Maya. We are going to learn all about their culture, environment and history. We are linking this with our English work, and will be telling and writing our own versions of famous stories.

In Maths this half term, we will be looking at place value for numbers of up to six digits. We will also be revisiting times tables. Each child should now know all their times tables and divisions up to 12x12.

Also, during this halfterm we will be reading the story 'One Thousand and One Arabian Nights' and writing cliff-hanger stories. In RE, we will be thinking about how The Bible is structured and learning how to find our way around it.

We will be starting to develop our Programming skills in ICT.

Science this half-term is all about properties of materials. We will learn all about solids, liquids and gases, and explore their individual properties.

This half-term's PE will be with Miss Stubbs for one day, and our dance teacher on the second. Please ensure your child has a full indoor and outdoor kit with them.

We will be looking at the art work of Salvador Dali and designing our own melting clocks pictures. We are even going to use clay to make our designs come to life!

Year 5 Science Day

We are really lucky that next week Mrs Wilson, a very talented scientist, is coming to work with Year 5 on Thursday and Friday. The children will be completing exciting experiments and exploring the world of science!

What you need

All children should now have daily:

- Water bottle
- PE kit
- Reading book/reading record
- Coat

<u>Toast</u>

Toast should be paid every Monday in a named envelope.

We would like to welcome all the children to Year 5, and are looking forward to working with you throughout the coming academic year.