# WELCOME TO PICASSO CLASS YEAR 5 and 6

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# WELCOME TO OUR CLASSROOM



## **OUR CLASS PRAYER**

Please help us together, to learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith. In Jesus' name,

Amen

### **WEEKLY REMINDERS!**

**Monday** – Water Bottles in please.

Thursday – PE with Sports Coach – Reminder children to come to school in full PE kit – black shorts/jogging bottoms, plain white t-shirt and back/blue jumper/sweatshirt. Trainers should only be worn on PE days.

Please remember no jewellery (earrings should be removed or covered) and long hair must be tied back.

Friday – Water Bottles home.

Everyday – Reading books in.

Thank you

### **COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS**

· If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you would like them to be allowed to leave the site unaccompanied i.e. they are allowed to walk home from school, please do let the office know so that you can sign the permission form.

# The Curriculum Maps, which inform you of our learning each half term, will be emailed out at the start of each half term.

### English:

Our first writing stimulus this half term will come from the poem The Hope-o-potamus by Greg James and Chris Smith. The poem is taken from 'The Book of Hopes' - an inspiring and comforting collection of short stories, poems and illustrations.

\*We will be developing our skills for writing by firstly imitating a variety of poetry structures.

This will allow us to rehearse the skills of applying high quality word choices with the appropriate grammatical structure.

 Independently, we will be challenged to write our own poem based on Hope.

\*Our second piece of writing will be cross-curricular linked to our Geography learning. We will independently research and write an explanation text on, 'How are different species each suited to their different climates?'

### <u>PE</u>: Every Thursday, our PE coach will be teaching the skills needed for Tag **Rugby**. We will apply skills and techniques to small and large game situations, using tactics and strategies to improve performance.



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### Maths:

### Place Value (Year 5 and 6 Objectives):

\*Understand the place value of numbers up to ten million (Year 6) and one million (Year 5).

- \*Compare and order any number.
- \*Round numbers to varying degrees of accuracy.
- \*Calculate with negative numbers. Number (Year 6 Objectives):
- \*Use formal written methods to calculate a range of problems using all four number operations.
- Consolidate understanding of cube, square and prime numbers.
- \*Calculate using factors, multiples and the order of

### Number (Year 5 Objectives):

- Add and subtract using formal written methods.
- \*Develop an awareness of inverse operations.
- Solve multi-step problems which incorporate both addition and subtraction.

### French

Our focus is La Date. We will be asking and answering what the date is in French. Also, we will ask and answer the question, "When is your birthday?". We will also learn/recap the days of the week, the months of the year and numbers 1-31 in French.

### Science:

Our learning this half-term is focused on Forces. We will explore how unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. We will investigate and identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces.

We will also examine and explore the workings of mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears. RE: Our Big Question this half-term is, 'What kind of King is Jesus?'

### Geography:

Picasso will be investigating Climates and Biomes. We will be developing our knowledge about the world's main climate zones and their key characteristics. Also, we will examine how the world's vegetation belts are linked to climate zones and the meaning of the term 'biome'. We will develop our understanding of how plants and animals are adapted to their different biomes.

Our locational knowledge and geographical skills will be extended through identifying countries/biomes using atlases and reading information from climate graphs. Computing: Year S will develop their understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices. Year 6 will explore how data is transferred on the internet, initially focusing on addressing, before they move on to the makeup and structure of data packets.

### Art/DT

We will be learning to design work with fonts and layout. This is called **Typography**. We will then go on to create our own visual and three dimensional artwork based on our individual **Hope poem**.

Music: Our focus is 'Music Brings us Together'

<u>PSHE:</u> Myself and My Relationships -Beginning and Belonging

# Home Learning in Picasso class

Your child should try to read every day for at least 15 – 20 minutes. If your child isn't keen to do this, please do read to them or share a book together and discuss the content. It is helpful to ask questions about reading – what has happened so far, what is the setting like, what might happen next etc.

We have purchased a <u>Mathletics</u> and <u>Times Tables Rockstars</u> account for your child. This is really important learning – Mathletics relates directly to our maths curriculum in school so is excellent for consolidation.

Passwords can be found inside your child's 'Password Passport'.

Please complete the set Mathletics tasks weekly and try to learn your multiplication facts by using TT Rockstars for ten minutes at least three times a week.

# LIFE IN YEAR 5 AND 6!

# **Extra Opportunities**

- All Year 6 children are 'Buddies' to the new Reception children.
- 'School Tour Guides' for prospective new Reception parents.
- All will have an opportunity to lead our Whole Class Collective Worship.
- All will have the opportunity to be a Class Librarian.

# FOR YEAR 6 ONLY SATS (STATUTORY ASSESSMENT TESTS) 2023

### KS2 Year 6 SATs Dates - May 2023

Date	Test
Monday 8th May 2023	Grammar & Punctuation test - 45 minutes Spelling Test - 20 minutes
Tuesday 9th May 2023	English Reading Test - 60 minutes
Weds 10th May 2023	Mathematics Arithmetics (Paper 1) - 30 minutes Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 2) - 40 minutes
Thurs 11th May 2023	Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 3) - 40 minutes
Friday 12th May 2023	No tests today