

Reading:

We expect children to read every day to improve fluency, understanding and promote enjoyment. Please ensure home reading books and reading records are brought into school on a daily basis.

Parents:

Please encourage your child to develop increasing independence.

Children should be able to:

- Take home their homework, complete it and return it on time
- Take home and return letters, permission slips etc promptly

Please contact us if you are able to help us in any way – in class, on trips, ideas for visits and visitors, insights into a specific area of working life, and so on.

Many thanks for your continued support.

**Following Jesus, together we
succeed**

Bishop David Sheppard CE (A) Primary School



**HAST
(Home and School
Together)**

**Autumn Term
2023-2024**

Year 5: Mrs Brookfield

Christian Values

During this term we will be focusing on the values of friendship and compassion.

Mathematics

Your child will follow the National Curriculum for Mathematics. The topics they will cover this term include:

- Place Value
- Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division
- Fractions

Times Tables Rockstars and Maths at home

Please help your child to learn their tables and to practise their mental maths skills. All the children have their own Times Table Rockstars log in which they can use for access at home. Please encourage them to access it daily. Ten minutes a day will have a big impact. Little and often is best.

English

Your child will follow the National Curriculum for English. This term they will be focussing on descriptive writing, persuasive letter writing, biographical writing and poetry. They will be covering wider genres across the curriculum e.g. non-chronological reports in history and persuasive writing in geography.

Guided Reading: Through guided reading children will develop skills including: literal (what is actually there), deductive (looking for clues) inferential (reading between the lines). Children will also continue to make progress through their home readers. Children will also be listened to by adults during the week in school to support fluency and take part in a whole class comprehension lesson weekly.

Spelling: Children will have spelling lessons in school each week. We appreciate your support in helping your child to learn their spellings. Please practise throughout the week ready for a spelling and dictation test every Friday.

Handwriting: Children should be able to write, using a joined style, with increasing speed.

Religious Education

Your child will study the following topics:

- The Bible. How and why do Christians read the Bible?
 - Christmas: How Christmas is celebrated around the world
- We will also focus on the world religions of Judaism and Sikhism.

Physical Education

During this term, the children will take part in rugby - learning skills and building on the understanding of the game. After half term they will move onto swimming. PE will take place every Monday. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing full PE kit. No earrings or jewellery to be worn during PE.

Science

This term we will be studying Space, focussing on how the Earth, Moon and Planets move and are affected by the Sun. This will take us onto our next topic of Light. We will look at how light travels and how shadows are created.

Throughout the year children will work to:

- ask and answer relevant questions
- set up simple practical enquiries
- make systematic and careful observations
- collect data, record and present findings
- use scientific language.

Geography

This term the children will be learning about Volcanoes and Climate and Biomes.

History

This term the children will be learning about Ancient Greece and Alexander the Great.

French

The children will learn about Phonetics, My Family and The Date

Music

The children will be learning how to play the guitar with Sefton Music Service. They will be exploring skills of rhythm and gaining an understanding of musical notations in order to be able to perform.

Art

The children will learn about Chinese art and will be exploring its history. They will be working on a range of skills and media based on a variety of Chinese styles.

DT

The children will be looking at how people use food during times of celebration. They will explore foods that are eaten around the world when celebrating and use these ideas to design and make sweet treats in order to sell them at the Christmas fair.

Computing

The children will learn about online safety, including responsibilities when online, protecting privacy and plagiarism. They will also be creating their own games, planning their characters, environments, creating instructions for others to follow and evaluating each other's games.

Personal, Social, Health, Education (PSHE)

This term we will discuss the following topics:

- Computer safety-online bullying
- Keeping and staying safe
- Peer pressure