



## Year 5



Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 5 had a wonderful start to the week. We have read a range of books for World Book Week including our class text (Kensuke's Kingdom), The Explorer by Katherine Rundell and The Tempest by William Shakespeare. To celebrate, we dressed up, watched plays and rehearsed and performed scripts. Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed the whole school parade and the author workshop. This week in English we wrote a setting description about the deserted Island, using figurative language, 2A (expanded noun phrases) and 2 pair (two pairs of related adjectives) sentences. We also had a lovely Ash Wednesday service, marking the beginning of Lent.

### **Important dates:**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March - Inset Days (no children in school)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> (PM) and Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> (AM) of March - Lenten Concerts

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March – in person Parents' Evening

Tuesday 1 April – remote Parents' Evening

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Mass and school closes for Easter holiday

Tuesday 22 April – Summer term begins.

### **RA – Young Artists' Summer Show Competition**

Thank you to all the children who submitted artwork for the RAC Young Artists Summer Show. They were all fantastic! We will be notified by the end of May whether we have pieces exhibited in the final show. Fingers crossed!

### **St Polycarp's and Knights of St Columba annual EASTER PAINTING competition for KS2**

We are delighted to take part in the annual Easter Painting competition supported by Farnborough's Knights of St Columba.

If your child wishes to take part, please make sure their picture meets all the criteria below and includes all relevant information.

#### ***There are cash prizes for selected winners!***

Please hand your entries to your class teacher by **Monday 10th March**. They will be collected for judging by Brother Michael on this date, we apologise for the short turn around.

- 1) A **Painted** scene of your choice from Palm Sunday and the Easter Season.
- 2) Write the Bible chapter and Verse that best relates to your painting. Do this on the front or back.

3) Your picture should be A4 or A3, on paper or card.

**PLEASE INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION ON THE BACK OF YOUR CHILD'S ARTWORK.  
ONLY artwork with complete detail can be submitted.**

- **Child's full name**
- **Child's age and year group**
- **Name and full address of the School:  
St Polycarp's Catholic Primary School,  
Waverley Lane,  
Farnham,  
Surrey  
GU9 8BQ**

## **PE**

Please ensure your child has the correct PE/Games kit including trainers. All PE and Games lessons will be outside from now on.

**If your child has borrowed any PE kit from school please can it be returned.**

## **Lent Concert**

Our Doves and Pheasants will be joining together for our Lent Concerts to play and sing 'Shotgun' by George Ezra. Please feel free to encourage your child to listen to the song, the lyrics will need to be performed by heart for the concert, so please do support your child in learning these if you are able.

## **Catholic Social Teaching**

As part of our learning, we teach children how they can follow in the footsteps of Jesus in the way they interact and help others. If your child has taken part in any charity work, please let us know so we can share and celebrate this in school.

**STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)** – calling all parents who work in these fields. We would love to hear about your work and experiences and hopefully encourage the children to follow in similar footsteps. Please let us know if you would be happy to pop into school sometime to support the enrichment of the children's learning.

## **Homework**

### **TTRS**

**Children are to practise their times tables on TTRS for 15 minutes a day, 5 days a week.** There are weekly challenges to engage the children. Focus on those times tables your child needs to improve their speed and fluency on and select these in 'Garage'. Play 'Studio' to help St. Polycarp's climb up the local schools' leaderboard!

### **Reading**

Please see below for the Key Stage 2 reading guidance.

When the children finish reading a book, they need to complete an online quiz at home before changing the book. Please be aware that both username and password are in lowercase.

Please use the link below to access Accelerated Reader.

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### Spellings

Spellings are set every Friday with a spelling test the following Friday giving children one week to learn them. A list of this week's spellings can be found alongside.

**Some of the children have been set 5 Y5 spelling words and 5 additional spelling words. All children are aware of which words they have been given this week.**

Year 5 Spelling words	Mixed Spelling words
doubt	doubt
island	island
lamb	lamb
solemn	solemn
thistle	thistle
autumn	copied
build	replied
receipt	spied
ascends	fried
disciple	applied

## Reading in Key Stage 2

### Handy Hints

- Make reading part of your daily routine.
- Short sessions – **15 minutes per day.**
- Continue to read out loud to an adult as well as independently.
- Try to read a range of books including fiction and non-fiction.
- Complete the Accelerated Reader quiz at home, ideally within 24-48 hours of finishing the book.



### How can parents help?

#### **Reading improves with practice.**

Encourage your child to read at home, share your own books, discuss books, ask questions about the book they have read and visit the local library.

Check that your child is completing the reading quiz – this is part of their weekly homework.