



Uffington Church of England Primary School

Year 5/6 Class Newsletter – Autumn 2

Welcome

Welcome to year 5 and 6! It's another busy term, especially with Christmas round the corner. There are lots of fun activities planned this term for the children as well as including musical events, such as carols around the tree, and sporting events, such as the Tag Rugby tournament.

Reading



This term we will be reading 2 books:
"Skellig" and "the Final Year".

Skellig - Michael has just moved into a new house and has a huge surprise when he finds a crippled living being in his new but crumbling 'garage'. He doesn't want to tell anyone about this mysterious man except from the girl across the road called Mina.

The Final Year - This narrative explores Nate's journey as he faces the challenges of Year Six, from the pressure of exams to the emotional turmoil of friendship changes and family struggles. Nate's life is thrown into disarray when he is placed in a different class from his best friend, PS, who then befriends the school bully.

Writing



This term we will be focusing on letter writing and a narrative with inspiration from our class book "Skellig".

Maths



In maths this term we will begin our topics on fractions and multiplication and division.

Please make sure the children are practicing their tackling tables as it will help with their multiplication, division and fractions.

Science



The children will be learning about Earth and Space answering the questions the Earth is part of the Solar System, how does this effect our life on Earth? Why do we have night and day? What impact does the sun have on our seasons?

Computing



In computing this term the children will be learning about how data is transferred over the internet and how the internet can support online communication and collaboration. They will also learn how to communicate responsibly by considering what should and should not be shared on the internet.



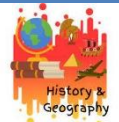
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Art/DT



This term in DT we will be creating Electrical systems in which the children will be Investigating an existing motorised product and problem-solving to understand its construction before developing their own.
As well as, Christmas Art day on the mornings 25th and 28th November.

Geography



In Geography this term we are learning about “What is life like in the Alps?” and answering our “Big Question” – The Alps spread across 8 countries, what does it tell you about the Geography of the mountain range? Does living near the Alps have advantages and disadvantages? What might attract people to live near the Alps?

Music



The focus this term in music is for the service of remembrance and singing/practicing and performing Christmas carols.
On Tuesday 10th December the children will be performing a couple of pieces at Copthill Primary school.

PE



PE days are on Wednesday and Friday. On Wednesdays we are learning and playing Tag Rugby and on a Friday we are continuing gymnastics.

PSHE



In PSHE this term the children will be learning about Health and Wellbeing, friendships, managing hurtful behaviour and bullying.

MFL



In French this term the children will be learning the alphabet and phonics, months of the year, date, weather and school instructions.

RE



In RE the children will look at answering the question...
Incarnation - Was Jesus the Messiah?

Enrichment



On Thursday 21st November we have James Mad Mac Money visiting the school to discuss with the class about being financially aware.



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Homework



For homework the children will need to read a minimum of 3 times a week (Please sign your children's book and aim to have one of these reading sessions to be read out loud - even if it has to be to a pet).

Children must also practice a minimum of 3 times on tackling tables.

Rewards

The children will receive 'House Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude.



They will also earn Gold Stars for being kind and courteous.

Class information

Class Teacher: Mr Roberts

Supported by: Mrs Sawers

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day and when the weather is warmer a sun hat and sun cream.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

Dates for the diary!



Monday 11th November - Remembrance Service led by Y5/6 in Church

Tuesday 12th November – Odd Socks Day / Antbullying Week

Friday 15th November – Children in Need (spotty / stripey accessories)

Thursday 21st to Sunday 24th November – Online PTA Christmas Auction

Friday 22nd November – Mufti Day (Tombola donations for Christmas Fayre)

Monday 25th November – EYFS & KS1 trip to Christmas Tree Farm

Saturday 30th November – PTA Christmas Fayre (11am-1pm)

Friday 6th December – Open Afternoon (please help take the stage to Church)

Friday 6th December – PTA Disco

Sunday 8th December – Stage up in Church (any help appreciated)

Tuesday 10th December – Nativity in Church (pre-school children welcome)

Wednesday 11th December – Nativity in Church (no pre-school children please)

Mon 16th December – Panto (Cinderella at the Cresset)

Thursday 19th December – Whole school worship – Carols around the tree - 2.00-3.00pm

Thursday 19th December – school closes for Christmas

Friday 20th December – Training Day

