



St Richard's CE Primary School
Autumn term 2025 – First half



Year 5 Pine Class - September 2025

Welcome to Year 5! We're excited to begin this new chapter with you and your child as we dive into a year full of growth, discovery, and achievement. This year will be filled with engaging learning opportunities, increased independence, and plenty of memorable experiences. We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child's journey and make Year 5 a happy and successful year for all. Kind regards, Mr Chapman

Dates for your diary:

SEPTEMBER

W/C: Monday 15th - Clubs start this week
Monday 8th - P.E starts
Tuesday 16th - Swimming starts:
Monday 22nd – Drama workshop
Thursday 18th – Meet the teacher stay and play
(9:00-10:00)
Thursday 18th - First home learning sent home.

OCTOBER

Wednesday 1st - KS1 Phonics workshop for parents
Friday 10th – Black History Wow Day
Monday 20th – Harvest church service 9am

Reading:

Pupils are expected to read at home **every day** for at least 10 minutes, **preferably aloud with an adult**.

Pupils will take home a book from the school library to read at home but must bring this book into school each day for reading at school.

Books will be changed once they have been read.

Homework:

- SPAG.com set on Monday due for following Wednesday
- EDshed – Spelling set on Monday for a test the following week.
- Maths.co.uk – Set on a Wednesday for following Friday
- Creative homework – 1 per week expected to be handed in – see Creative homework bulletin

What we are learning about this half term:

English: We will be reading -

The Man Who Walked Between Towers
Percy Jackson

Maths:

Place Value
Addition and Subtraction
Multiplication and Division

RE:

Fearless Women of Faith

TOPIC:

Science: Forces

History / Geography: Ancient Greece

Computing: Digital Safety

Music: Blues Music

PE: Invasion games

Spanish: Phonetics 1, 2 & 3 + Presenting Myself

Class Trips and Visitors in School:

Thames Young Mariners (TYM) Residential one night trip: October 2nd – 3rd – See further communications for more information



Healthy snack at breaktimes

Children are welcome to bring in a piece of fruit or healthy snack in at break times. Please remember we are a nut free school. Please ensure your child also has a refillable water bottle which is labelled.

Parent/adult helpers

We are currently looking at other potential trips the class could visit this year.

If you would be interested in helping out on any trips this year, please let me know.

Summary: (Swimming / PE day etc.)

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday: Swimming

Thursday: PE – children to wear PE kits to school

Friday:

How you can help your child at home:

- **Please read aloud with your child daily**, and share your enthusiasm for reading!
- **Times Tables** – Keep regularly practising times tables at home.
- Help develop independence and responsibility – when struggling with emotions, pupils should be encouraged to use known strategies from PATHS /PSHE to help calm (breathing, grounding, drawing, exercise, etc) as well as problem solve
- Work on active listening (eye contact and expecting a response) as well as clear communication

Staff in class:

- Mr. Chapman
- Ms. Kurukulasuriya (Ms K)
- Mrs. Hollingdale – Mon-Thur AM
- Mr. D – Friday AM

