# YEAR 5 AUTUMN 1 **CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2020**

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Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are as excited to get back into the school routine as we all are. Year 5 seem to have had an action packed summer and are ready to get stuck into life in Year 5. I have really enjoyed getting to know the children over the last week and I am finding lots of things out which will help us learn together throughout the year.

Year 5 will be supported in their learning this year by Mrs Wilson and Mrs Pounder, who will be delivering PE lessons on Thursday afternoons.

In English this half term, we will be studying Michael Morpurgo as an author, looking at his life, career, achievements and a variety of his books. We will read Kaspar Prince of Cats and use this to write letters, descriptions and a newspaper report. We will have a specific grammar focus each week where we recap some of the Year 4 grammar objectives such as speech punctuation and paragraphs. We will then begin to look at Year 5 objectives such coordinating/subordinating conjunctions and modal verbs. We will also continue to practise the Year 5/6 common exception words, the -ible/-able suffixes and homophones.

In maths this half term, we will be looking at place value, addition and subtraction and statistics. In place value, we will be developing our conceptual understanding through comparing, ordering and rounding numbers and using this knowledge to reason. We will also be revising our knowledge of Roman numerals. In statistics, we will be interpreting timetables and line graphs. There will be a problem solving and reasoning focus once a week, applying what we have learnt. We will also have a short session each week working on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please visit our website to see our knowledge organisers. www.stmaryshorsforth.org. Knowledge organisers are for each subject and topic and have key facts that we will be learning, vocabulary and links to books your child may like to read.

Please do not hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks. Miss Wood





"Happy together in God's family, we love, arow and learn,

#### **Important Days**

#### Monday:

Reading books changed

#### Thursday:

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

### Friday:

**Spelling Test** 

## **Important Dates**

Tuesday 17th September Individual school photographs

Friday 9th October Harvest Festival at 2:15pm via zoom

Non uniform £1 for Cafod

WC 28<sup>th</sup> September School Council Elections Y2-6

Thursday 1st October First Holy Communion meeting at 3:30pm via zoom

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening 4pm – 6:30pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening 4pm -6:30pm

> Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October School Closes

Friday 23rd October Training Day