



ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn 1 2026

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Y5 CURRICULUM CHRONICLE: AU1

Dear Year 5 families,

Welcome back to school and to Year 5! We hope you enjoyed the summer break and are looking forward to an exciting academic year ahead.

Mrs Inwards will be teaching on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs Marshman will be teaching on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Cornish will be in every morning and Mrs Couzens will be in on Thursday and Friday afternoons.

This term's theme is 'The Terrible Tudors' which is a history-led theme. We will be launching the theme with a food tasting afternoon, trying some typical Tudor cuisine!

On Tuesday afternoon, at 3:15pm in the Year 5 classroom, we welcome you to a 'Meet the teachers' meeting to find out more about Year 5 and the exciting learning opportunities we have planned for this year. We are looking forward to our Tudor Dress Up Day at the end of the half term on Thursday 22nd October.

The whole Year 5 team is looking forward to a great year ahead with your children. Our door is always open so please pop in at the start or end of the school day if there is anything you wish to discuss.

With kind regards,
Mrs Marshman and Mrs Inwards,
Mrs Cornish and Mrs Couzens
The Year 5 team

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 8th Sept, 3.15pm

Meet the Teacher - in Y5 classroom

Friday 18th Sept, 9.00am

Start of Term Mass, led by Y6 - all welcome

Monday 12th Oct, 2.30pm

Pet Blessing

Tuesday 20th Oct

School photos

Thursday 22nd Oct

Y5 Tudor Dress Up Day

PE & Outdoor Learning

Please ensure your child's PE kit is brought into school every Monday morning. Our PE day will normally be on a Wednesday but we will take the opportunity to do PE whenever we can, no matter the day. PE kits will be kept in the children's lockers. Children can also bring in a separate pair of 'Outdoor Learning' trainers/wellies, which can get muddy in Forest School/on the field when the ground isn't suitable for school shoes. These outdoor trainers/wellies will be kept in the large box outside the classroom. Please ensure all items of kit are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Homework Expectations

Spelling and arithmetic booklets, reading diaries should be completed daily (Monday - Friday) as it is better to spend short but frequent amounts of time on revisiting these skills. Homework will be checked every Monday morning.

Guided Reading

In Upper Key Stage 2, we move away from small group to whole class reading. Our first text will be *Shadow* by Michael Morpurgo. Children will have the opportunity to visit the library once a week and we encourage children to bring in texts from home to read during quieter periods of the day. This can prompt some lovely literary conversations as the children often read an interesting mix of genres!

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a clean, named and refillable water bottle each day.





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CURRICULUM INFORMATION

THE TERRIBLE TUDORS

English: Narratives, Playscripts and Debates

Maths: Numbers to 1 000 000; Addition and Subtraction; Multiplication and Division

RE: Creation and Covenant

Science: Forces and Gravity

History: Tudor Portraits and Rich and Poor

Art: Tudor Portraits

PDL: New Year New Class, British Values & Friendships

PE: Throw Tennis and End Ball

Outdoor Learning: Rope

Computing: iProgram 1

Music: Introduction to the orchestra: exploring timbre

French: A l'école

