## **Important dates for Year 5:**

Mon 14th February 2022 – Fri 18th February 2022 – Half term

Mon 21st February 2022 - Inset day

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 – Ash Wednesday Mass

Fri 1st April 2022 – End of term, school closes at 1.00pm

### How can I help at home?

- ✓ Please help your child to be organised with their time to ensure homework is completed. Four pieces should be completed by Easter and MyMaths homework should be completed weekly.
- Help your child to be organised –
  Are there any letters for me in your bag?
  Have you got your reading book? Pencil case?
  Is your completed homework in there too?

# **St Alban and St Stephen Catholic Primary School**



# Year 5 Parent Information Booklet

What your child will be learning about this term and how you can help at home

# Spring Term 2022

#### English

We are beginning the term by reading the book The Watertower by Gary Crew. We will look at different techniques to generate tension and suspense.

We are then going to study 'The Boy in the Tower' by Polly Ho-Yen' and create tension through plotting and word choice in our own writing.

#### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Please encourage your children to practise their spellings each week and ask them about their learning. If you would like to revise or practise grammar learning, please have a look at

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling\_grammar/

Please practise weekly spellings and look at the Year 3 and 4 spelling lists and ensure the children can spell all of these words.

#### Maths:

We have started our unit on fractions and will be looking at using these in simple calculations. We will then move on to shape and measure, including finding area, perimeter, volume and capacity.

#### HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Please keep practising the times tables up to 12, as all children should know them by now. BBC Bitesize is a useful revision tool: <u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/</u>

### <u>R.E:</u>

#### <u>Mission</u>

We will look at how we can continue Jesus's mission in the diocese. <u>Memorial Sacrifice</u>

This unit will look at how the Eucharist is the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice.

#### **Sacrifice**

We consider to season of Lent and how observing this allows us to remember and align with Jesus.

#### Foundation Subjects:

#### <u>Geography</u>

We will be learning about Spain.

- Where is Spain on the map?
- What are its largest cities and famous landmarks?
- How does its climate and culture compare to the UK?

#### **History**

We will look at the Vikings.

- Where did they come from?
- What was their effect on England?
- How did they live?

#### Art and Design

We will use our sketching techniques to draw our own Viking figureheads and longboats. We will also be experimenting with some cross stitch to create an image.

#### Design and Technology

We will look at the nutritional value of different recipes and discuss how we can make them healthier by removing, substituting or adding additional ingredients

#### <u>Science</u>

#### The Earth in Space

We will be looking at the Earth, the Sun and the Moon and how these move. We will also be learning about night and day, the seasons and phases of the Moon.

PE: Basketball and Gymnastics

**<u>Music</u>**: The topics will History of music and Composition. We will listen to music from a different time and explore how music is structured and how it can be arranged to create a desired effect.

**<u>Computing</u>**: We will learn that a spreadsheet is a computer application which allows users to organise, analyse, and store data in a table. We will also create totals and averages for existing data on Microsoft Excel.

In <u>MFL</u> we will learn how to say and write in French whether we live in a town or the countryside, in a house or an apartment, and describe what rooms we have and don't have.