

R.E.

Our units this term are:

Celebrating the Mass and **From Advent to Christmas**



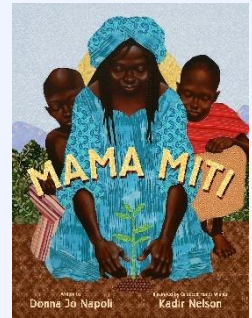
Children will also plan and take part in regular Collective Worship.

Our Catholic Social Teaching values are:

Creation and **Preferential Option for the Poor**

English:

Literacy: We will start the term by reading 'Mama Miti' by Donna Jo Napoli. We will explore language and consider the setting in which this text is set. We will also focus on developing comprehension skills, as well as exploring performance poetry. We will be working on writing skills such as planning effectively, as well as the grammar skills of punctuation, sentence structure and vocabulary.



Reading Skills: Children will be practising to read words accurately, draw inferences, read with expression and be able to recall, predict and summarise ideas from the text.

Please remember to read with your child 5 times a week. Reading Records must be handed in every Monday.

Spelling: Children will follow the Year 5 spelling programme and take part in weekly spelling tests with a different focus each week.

Handwriting: Children will continue to practise and improve their handwriting, focusing on joining and correct letter formation and spacing. All children will write with a blue handwriting pen. Please continue to use Letter Join.

Maths:



This term, the children will focus on the following units:

Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division and Fractions. Children will also develop their arithmetic and problem-solving skills.

Please remember to continue to learn your Times Tables up to 12x12.

Geography:

We will be exploring **North and South America**. In particular, children will:

- Learn about latitude and longitude and time zones.
- Learn the countries of North America and some of their human and physical features.
- Learn about the climate zones of North America.



Science:

This term, the children will focus on the following units:



Space and Forces

They will make simple conclusions based on findings and observations.

They will relate findings and conclusions to their scientific knowledge and explain their predictions.



Computing:

Our Computing topics this term are:

Word Processing skills and Vector Drawing

Laptops and iPads will also be used throughout all areas of the curriculum and **Online Safety** will be reinforced.



Art and D.T:

Our Art and D.T. topics this term are:

Drawing: I need Space

Sculpture and 3D: Interactive Installation

Mechanical Systems: Making a pop-up book

Children will practise sketching, tracing, drawing, designing and evaluating skills. They will use various art mediums such as pastels, paint and wax.



P.E:

Children will take part in **Football, Gymnastics, Netball and Dance** lessons this term.

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct P.E. kit on their P.E. days.



RSHE:

Our RSHE units for the Autumn term are:

Created and Loved by God

Created to Love Others

Children will understand that we are made in God's image, to celebrate differences between people and to identify their changing emotions.

Ten:Ten
Resources

Music:

This term children will be learning songs and analysing the features and looking at instruments involved.

They will be exploring a range of Music genres.

Living on a Prayer

Classroom Jazz



French:

Children will revise number and simple calculations based on 5x tables. They will also extend their food and drink vocabulary by learning to talk about mealtimes, say when mealtimes are and what they eat, comparing with eating habits in France.



Reminders:

Reading Records: These are checked every Monday. They must be signed by a parent/carer 5 times a week. Children change their books every Monday and should be taking these home each week to read aloud.

Homework: Maths and Spelling homework is set weekly. English and R.E. homework is set occasionally throughout the term. All homework tasks will be outlined clearly on the Weekly Newsletter, sent each Thursday.

P.E: P.E. days may change throughout the term. Please check the Weekly Newsletter for this information. Children wear their P.E. kit to school on their P.E. days. Please look at the uniform policy and ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct kit.

Equipment: Pencil cases should be small enough to fit into your child's tray. Please ensure they have a ruler, glue stick, 3x blue handwriting pens, writing pencils, colouring pencils and a highlighter.

Contact: If you wish to meet with your class teacher, this can be arranged by e-mailing 'year5@shpsruislip.org'. Drop-in sessions are from 3:15 every Tuesday.