



# Welcome to Class 9's Autumn Overview



Dear Parents and Carers,  
A warm welcome to Year 5, Class 9!

Hello everyone, the Class 9 team would like to welcome you all to our class page. We will update our newsletters throughout the year so please make sure you check regularly for updates and reminders.

We are all so very proud of our pupils who have made an outstanding start to the school year and we are looking forward to seeing lots of progress and achievements this year.

Our Class 9 team this year consists of Mrs Barrett, Mrs Bennett, Mrs Wardell-Appleton, Mr Riley and Miss O'Connor.

Remember we are continuing to use Google Classroom for updates and messages and all children should now be able to access this fully. If you have any problems, please come and speak to one of the team.



## Maths

During the Autumn term in Maths, we will be studying and securing our knowledge of place value and number to then apply this to problem solving and reasoning questions. We will also study addition and subtraction calculations before moving onto a new statistics unit where we will investigate and explore graphs and tables. After October half term, we will focus on multiplication, division and perimeter and area work. Times tables learning and mastering will also be a big priority this year so please encourage frequent practise at home too by using Times Tables Rockstars - all children have their login details in their diary.



## English

Our topic this term is based on WW1 and WW2 so this is the theme we will follow in our English lessons. We have started reading a fabulous book called *The Silver Donkey* which the children are really enjoying and we will be writing a range of descriptive pieces based on this book. We will then be reading some very powerful extracts based on *The Battle of the Somme* and writing our own historical recount. After half term, we will be researching and focusing on *The Blitz* including drama lessons to enable us to fully immerse ourselves into the event. The children will then write their own newspaper reports.

## RE

The first RE topic this term is all about family. The children will explore who they truly are in the eyes of God. Secondly, they will cover a sacramental topic where the children will learn about the importance of commitment and the sacrament of marriage. There will even be a REAL YEAR 5 WEDDING to celebrate their learning! Who will be our bride and groom this year? After our sacramental topic we will look at beliefs and festivals in the Jewish faith and we will even share our own Pesach meal to experience in person other religious traditions. We will end the term with our Advent topic where the children will learn what it means to live in hope.

## Science

Our first Science topic this year is all about materials and their properties. The children will learn about the effectiveness of materials according to their properties and test materials through a range of scientific experiments. After half term, we move onto our Earth and Space topic where the class will explore the relationship between the sun, moon and earth and also get the opportunity to complete their own space project from home.



## pe

We have been thoroughly enjoying the return of Urban Kaos to school this term. Sam will be teaching our class a street dance style routine which focuses on level, freeze positions and powerful transitions. We will also be learning netball skills this half term and applying these in game situations.



## Computing

The first computing topic this term is called My Online Life, we will look at the importance of staying safe online. After half term we will begin our YouTuber topic where the children will learn about what that means, the positives and negatives, safety tips and they will even create their own video blog (vlog).

## History

Autumn term in Year 5 is all about World War I and World War II. We will be studying the causes of both world wars, the effects on the Home Front and life as a soldier. We will also have a visit from Mr Riley and his world war artefacts.

## French

Our first French topic is all about ourselves and being able to have a conversation in which we give and receive appropriate information such as: our name, age and how many siblings we have. After half term, we will be learning all about school



## Homework

All children are expected to read their school reading book every night or, if this is not possible due to other commitments, at least 3 times per week. The routine for spellings and times tables is NEW and is consistent across the whole school. Children will now get spellings and tables every two weeks now. These will be posted on Google Classroom on a Friday and will be tested the following Thursday so please ensure you child practises these at home.

## Art, Music and D&T

This term we will begin with a DT topic based on natural dyeing. The children will learn how to dye materials using different food items and they will dye and make their very own WWI themed bag to take home! After half term we have an art topic. As we will be returning in November our topic reflects a remembrance theme. The children will be using air drying clay to make their own remembrance sculpture. We will also be exploring classroom jazz in our music lessons!

## PSHE

During Autumn term, we will be exploring Personal, Social and Health Education with Year 5 and covering topics such as Relationships, Health and Wellbeing and Living in the Wider World. We will also be including some self-care into our school day - please ask you children about this!

