

Miss Biggs

Year 5



Dear Parent/ Guardian

Welcome to the School's New Year and it's great to have the children back eager to learn. I would like to take this opportunity introduce myself and welcome your child into our class. I am sure you are aware the work and expectations are as always very high especially as your child is now in Upper Key Stage 2.

This year Mrs Squires, Mrs Wilson and Mrs Wells will be working alongside our class on set days to support different groups of children. I will be out of the classroom on Thursday afternoons and the children will be taught by Mrs Beckworth and Miss Beech.

Year 5 Autumn Term Curriculum Overview

<p>R.E. - Our 'Here I Am' topics are: Beginnings, friends and preparations. Our class will be leading the whole school liturgy on 2nd October. Please come along at 10:15am. Will also continue working through the PSHE units.</p>	<p>ICT- Shush! - data handling. The children will use ICT software and will understand how to record and sort data.</p>
<p>Topic- Victorians. The children will be learning what life was like for children living in the Victorian Era and how our locality has changed from the Victorian era up to present day.</p>	
<p>Science - Changing circuits, changing sounds and reversible & irreversible changes. This will be linked to our Victorian topic.</p>	<p>P.E. - This term we will be continuing with our swimming, this will take place on a Monday morning, children must bring a suitable swimming kit, if your child is unable to take part please make sure you write a letter clearly stating the reason. We will also have our gymnastics lesson last thing on a Wednesday. The children are expected to bring their PE kits into school at the beginning of each half term, taking them home every holiday to be washed. Please ensure every part of your child's uniform is clearly labelled. Boys are not permitted to wear football kits during school P.E. lessons, nor should they be wearing them underneath their school uniform.</p>
<p>Art - We will be looking at a unit called What a performance! All will be revealed!</p>	
<p>Literacy- This term our units of work include: Older Literature, Poetic Style, Non-Fiction- Argument, Film Narratives, Plays and Scripts, Authors and Texts. All of our lessons will link to our Victorian topic and we will be spending lots of time looking at the story of Oliver Twist.</p>	
<p>Design Technology- We will doing creating Victorian objects.</p>	<p>Music- We are very lucky and will be learning to play brass instruments. Please remember your £1 per week.</p>

We encourage the children to drink water at school. Please ensure that your child has a refillable bottle (preferably with a sports top) clearly labelled with their name.



Homework will continue as of last year, Learning Logs will be handed out on a Wednesday and will be due back on Monday a spelling test will be carried out on Monday mornings and these spellings will be in your child's Learning Log. It is requested that your child attempts **all** work set and returns it by the due date.

Children will be allowed to choose a reading book from the library that can be changed on a weekly basis, they will create a reading journal that will be filled in after each book is completed. Please encourage your child to read often (sometimes aloud) and practise mental maths calculations regularly (especially times tables).



As a school we are concerned about **some** children's lack of respect for school property. It has been noted that **some** children have doodled on the front of their books, carelessly lost pens and pencils, and find it amusing to break rulers and mirrors. The school happily provides each child with these resources, but our stock is not limitless. I have informed the

children that if loss or breakage occurs they must make a small monetary contribution towards the cost of a second or subsequent resource or provide their own from home. I hope that you will support me in this matter, so that the children learn to be responsible for their belongings. (New pencils and pens will be given freely if they are too short or have run out)

I would like to invite parents to volunteer to hear readers or spot at swimming, in Upper Key Stage 2 we tend not to see as many parents coming into school, and this is a real shame. If there are any other areas you are interested in and would like to volunteer please don't hesitate in getting in touch.



I look forward to meeting you at Parents Evening later in the term. I hope I have covered any questions you may have about this term. Above all I want your child to be happy and to enjoy coming to school. If at any time you have any queries or concerns please make an appointment to see me - it is vital that we work together to ensure that the children's time at St Alban's is a fun, memorable and successful experience.

I look forward to a successful and positive year with Year 5.

Yours sincerely

Miss Biggs

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