

# Sarisbury Church of England Junior School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back and I am sure you are all looking forward to a fantastic summer term! We would like to let you know what is going on this term in Year 5 and how you can help your child. This is going to be yet another jam packed term with lots of topics to study and more exciting days planned.



Our history topic during the summer term is the **Tudors** and pupils will be finding out how the Tudors lived and how they have influenced the way we live today. We will link in our knowledge of Europe when exploring the changing power of monarchy. Further links will be made between our history topic and Art when we explore portraits of famous Tudor figures and refine our drawing skills in order to be able to create our own portraits. Additionally, music lessons later in the term will allow us to experience Tudor-style music.

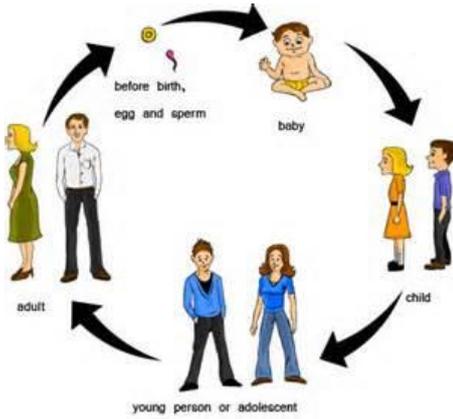
In English, we will be learning all about a famous Shakespearian play – *The Tempest* – and exploring it in depth through the use of drama and performance. This will lead on nicely to our work on newspapers, where we will recount significant events during the Tudor time period. In the second half of the summer term, we will finish our work on newspapers before embarking upon the creation of 'Buddy Books'. These special books are personally made by the Year 5s and contain all the information a Year 2 would need to know before coming to Sarisbury Junior School.

In Maths, we will cover a range of topics. Within the term we will be revising our knowledge of time. This will involve telling the time on digital and analogue clocks, as well as solving problems involving time and time tables. Any support given to children will telling the time will be hugely appreciated as this can sometimes be a tricky subject for some children to grasp in class. We will then proceed to look at problem solving across the four operations when we will be expecting the children to be able to express their reasoning skills. Our work will also include fractions, decimals and percentages – please look out for examples of how these can be used in everyday life, as well as supporting your child's developing confidence with their times tables. We will incorporate measure across all of our learning and will finish with our Geometry unit.



Science lessons are looking exciting for this half-term with a unit all about materials' properties and changing state. This will involve children looking at how a material can change state – for example, how water can exist as a solid, liquid and a gas. We will also explore the processes of evaporation, dissolving, separating materials and irreversible change. The second half of this

term will be all about animals and will include children gaining a greater knowledge of the changes humans go through as they develop.



During the second half term, we will be teaching our **Sex and Relationships** unit where we will begin looking at the human life cycle and then focus on the changes that take place during puberty. An evening will be held for parents on the **Thursday 14th June at 6.30**, so that you can find out how we will be teaching this to your children, share resources with you and answer any concerns about how you can support your child at home.

We will also be visiting Sarisbury Infant school during this half term to begin our buddy system. Each pupil will be paired up with a Year 2 child and encouraged to build a strong supportive relationship in order to support their transition to the Junior School. More details will be provided nearer the time and to ask for volunteers to help walk the children to Sarisbury Infant school.

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**HOT TOPICS for discussion with your child:**

- How have you been doing in speedy tables? What times tables are you finding hardest?
- What are your spelling scores like in your test? And how about in your books? Which words has your teacher had to correct in your writing this week?
- Is your handwriting joined, neat and legible in all subjects?
- Which lessons are you really feeling confident about in Year 5? Which lessons do you find challenging?

**Dates for your Diary:**

- 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> April – East Dene
- 4<sup>nd</sup> May – Visit Year 2
- 7<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday
- 11<sup>th</sup> May – Fun Run
- 14<sup>th</sup> May – SATs WEEK
- Half term
- 12<sup>th</sup> June – Hampton Court
- 14<sup>th</sup> June – Sex Ed parents meeting – 6:30pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> June – Junior Sports Day Brookfield
- 18<sup>th</sup> June – Taster Day Brookfield
- 20<sup>th</sup> June – Upper School Sports Afternoon
- 29<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day
- 6<sup>th</sup> July – Transfer Day

Should you have any concerns regarding your child please don't hesitate to contact your class teacher. We are always available on the playground at the end of the day otherwise contact the school office to arrange a suitable time to meet. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Curran

Mrs Young

Miss Harrington