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We pray together, play together, learn together.

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Dear Parents / Carers,

This letter is to give you some information of the topics which your child will be learning during the spring term in Year 5.

Topics for the Spring Term

R.E - Come and See	Mission Memorial Sacrifice Sacrifice
Science	Get sorted Marvellous Mixtures
P.E	Robinwood residential Gymnastics Invasion games Sports Day / Athletics
Topic work (History, Geography, Design Technology, I.C.T and Art)	Children will be learning about 'What a Wonderful World' throughout the term.

Religious Education Programme

Within 'Come and See' this term, the children will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent / Easter (Giving).

Robinwood

I hope the children all had a fantastic 3 days away at Robinwood, they were all very sensible whilst we were there and got involved in all of the activities. The children have received their certificates from Robinwood today, which they have taken home, along with their group photograph.

PE

The children have 2 hours of PE every week (Tuesday and Thursday) so please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school at all times. If your child doesn't have a PE kit, they will be offered a school kit from a bank of spares that parents have donated. A letter will also be sent home if they do not have their kit.

Reading Books and Diaries

Children in Year 5 have access to the School Library Service, and they can change their book when they need to. All children should try to spend about 10-15 minutes a day reading their books. In class, we are currently reading our class reading book, War Horse by Michael Morpurgo. The children are really enjoying reading this historical text and it is allowing them to develop their writing, by really drawing on their emotions. Throughout the term, we will also be looking at completing work by our class poet, Benjamin Zephaniah.

Maths

The children will continue to use more formal written methods for the four number operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. I would like to stress the importance of knowing the times tables off by heart. A major contributing factor to success in maths is confidence. Being able to answer multiplication questions quickly has huge benefits for other areas of maths (area, fractions, division etc), but most significantly it boosts self-esteem, which is vital in this subject.

Bikeability training

All children in Year 5 will be completing Bikeability training on Wednesday 28th February and Wednesday 7th March 2018. The children will need access to their own bike for the 2 days, which must have 2 working brakes. Children will also need a helmet to wear too. A separate permission letter will be sent regarding this important training.

Miss Winder

On Friday, Miss Winder finishes her teaching placement with our class and returns to Hope University to continue her training. We would like to say a big thank you to Miss Winder for her hard work and we wish her well in the rest of her training and future teaching career.

Many thanks,

Mrs Quigley and Mrs Gray ☺