



Religious Education will involve studying pilgrimage and the Islamic faith. Children will be given the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of where and why people go on pilgrimage and what we can learn from Islamic beliefs, festivals and religious stories. Children will also look at how religious people express their beliefs in architecture and charity.



In computing the children will be coding and designing programmes and problem solving. They will use logical reasoning to explain how sequences work. This will be done using ‘Scratch’, which is available as a free download, should your child wish to experiment at home. Children will also have the opportunity to research their topic using the Internet.

The children will also complete Internet research-based activities on water and its uses. You can also encourage your child to practise their computing skills through Espresso online, where they can access a range of educational games and quizzes: **Username: student583 Password: grafton**

Every week Year 5 will continue to be taught strings and flute by our specialist music teachers.

With Maggie, our specialist French teacher, the children will begin to learn the French for different items of clothing and they will be using this, together with colours, to describe clothes and give their opinions. They will be learning how adjectives ‘agree’ with nouns in French.



Weekly sports sessions will continue from last term with a professional coach and this will happen on Mondays. Please remember that children need suitable footwear on this day. Swimming will continue to take place – also on Mondays - for both classes.

Children will need to bring a swimming costume or trunks, a swimming hat and a towel. For safety reasons, children are reminded that jewellery must not be worn during PE or swimming and that long hair must be tied back or tucked in a swimming

hat. **Please provide your child with a note if they are not allowed to swim or take part in PE.**

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our expectations for the children to be actively involved in their learning at home. English and maths homework will be set on a weekly basis (usually on a Thursday) and these are to be completed and brought into school on the stated day. Homework is a vital part of your child’s learning as it consolidates what they have covered in class and enables them to take responsibility for their work. Please ensure that homework is always being completed.

Finally, please ensure that your child **arrives at school on time (9.15am)** as this really does make a positive start to their day.

We look forward to having an exciting, enjoyable and educational term and welcome your support in any way to achieve this. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries about your child or their progress. We look forward to seeing you at Parent’s Evening later on in the term.

Yours faithfully,

Roz Porter Tibbey  
Silver Class Teacher

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Ebony Class Teacher