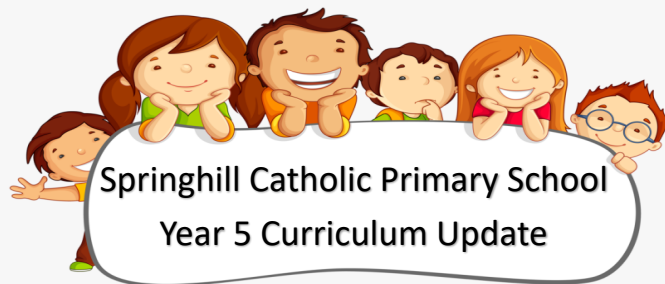




The water that I will give them will become a spring of water within, welling up to eternal life.  
JOHN 4:14



Summer 2 2026

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to our half termly newsletter which will give you a flavour of what your child will be learning and experiencing in year 5 during the upcoming half term. We hope you find it useful.

A huge welcome back to the final part of the Summer term. We cannot believe that this school year is almost complete! There is a huge amount of learning and fun due to take place over the final weeks of year 5 and we look forward to seeing your wonderful children thriving in this final term.

In **writing**, we will begin a non-fiction explanation unit inspired by the Great Pacific Garbage Patch. Some children will be exploring non-fiction from a different angle, producing satirical “mockumentary” scripts inspired by *The Majestic Plastic Bag*. Following this, we will move onto an exciting unit of myth writing in which the children will have a chance to weave in knowledge from the Ancient Greeks **history** topic which will also start in Summer 2. We will send out further information about the rearranged date for our Ancient Greeks day in due course!

In our Ancient Greeks **history** unit we will learn about the governance and democracy in Athens and Sparta; through the analysis and evaluation of sources of information. We will discover what life was like for children and consider the legacy of the Ancient Greek civilisation on our lives in modern Britain.

In **maths**, we move onto our Decimals and percentages unit. First, the children will learn about equivalent fractions and decimals; ordering and comparing decimals and rounding to the nearest whole number. In addition to this, we will learn about percentages as fractions and as decimals. In Geometry, we will learn about the properties of triangles, quadrilaterals, regular and irregular shapes as well as understand symmetry and nets of 3D shapes.

**Please remember to read daily with your child and complete the reading challenge. Daily reading will ensure your child has the best start in life.**

We will begin our **RE** with Pentecost where pupils are invited to consider the universal nature of the Church by identifying the range of people represented in the account of Pentecost. By exploring the different titles of the Holy Spirit, pupils should be able to explore how they can be disciples of Jesus. They should also understand the Holy Spirit as being part of the Trinity. After this, our Sacraments unit will focus on the Big Question, Why are Holy Orders and Matrimony Sacraments of service/vocation?

In **Science**, we will begin a unit entitled Properties and their materials. In this active learning and experiment based unit, we will carry out investigations to help us understand conductors and insulators, separating mixtures and irreversible changes. In our next science topic, Animals including Humans, year 5 will learn about the human lifecycle, beginning with the gestation period of humans and other animals, before moving onto learning about growth and old age.

In **PDL**, we will be learning about what helps to keep us healthy, including healthy eating and lifestyle, medicines for health and prevention, and basic First Aid.

**PE** continues on a **Friday** this half term with a move into cricket and athletics. The children will have the opportunity to hone their skills ahead of our annual school Sports Day where they compete for their school house.

**Remember, we are here to help— if you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us!**  
**From Mrs Pollard, Miss Palmer, Mr Ashdown and the year 5 team.**

#### Dates for the diary

- Saturday 13th June — PA Summer Festival
- Friday 19th June—Diversity Day
- Thursday 2nd July— Year 5 and 6 Sports Day