



ST. DUNSTAN'S

Year 5 Rationale

Spring 2nd Half Term

Exploring North America



This half term, our Year 5 students are gearing up for an exhilarating journey across a variety of subjects.

History comes alive as we dive into the captivating world of exploration with Sir Francis Drake. Following our Tudor escapades, we're setting sail with Drake, the first Englishman to sail around the globe. From tracing his daring route to unravelling the mysteries of his landing in California, we will use maps and atlases as our guides to uncover the secrets of distant lands and ponder what it felt like for Drake to set foot in California for the first time!

Throughout the term, Year 5 will be on a quest to discover the power of choices, delving deep into the realm of decision-making, exploring how our choices shape our well-being. Students will navigate the maze of choices, discovering paths that lead to good health and happiness. We will continue to consider our positive choices with Fairtrade Fortnight and World Book Day.

But our journey doesn't end there! We will embark on a deeply spiritual journey as we walk the path of the Stations of the Cross as we prepare a liturgy for the Key Stage 2.

In our English, we're unleashing our creativity by crafting a contrasting character and setting description inspired by Maz Evans' 'Who Let the Gods Out'.

As aspiring engineers, in Design and Technology, students will put their skills to the test as they design, build, and launch their very own balloon buggies. With science as our compass, we'll navigate the forces at play to achieve maximum distance and velocity!