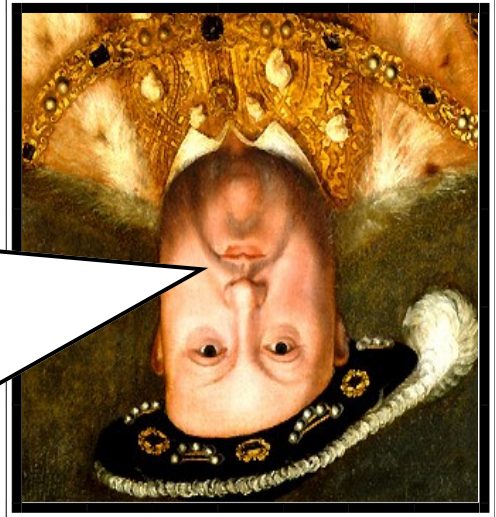


**Mr Hill Henry VIII**



Regards,  
Mr Hill and the Y5 team.

The year is flying by and it is scary to think that we are nearly half way through it already!

The children are working very hard in class and have produced some wonderful work so far. This term's topic is 'Dungeons and Dragons', which I know the children will really love. We will be exploring life in Tudor times in history, building clay dragons in DT and testing our map reading skills in geography.

If you would like to discuss your child's progress or have any concerns then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Maths and Literacy homework given out each Friday.  
Homework must be completed by the following Tuesday.

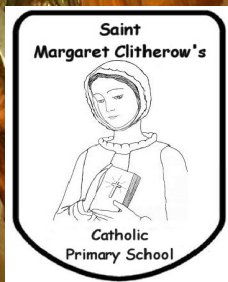
Homework				
Monday	Spelling	Reading	Tables	Tables
Tuesday	Spelling	Reading	Tables	Tables
Wednesday	Spelling	Reading	Tables	Tables
Thursday	Spelling	Reading	Tables	Tables
Friday	Tables	Spelling	Spelling	Test

- Events this Term**
1. Friday 10th February - Break up for half term
  2. PD Day Mon 20th Feb. Back to school Tue 21st Feb.
  3. Thursday 23rd February—Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm

**Parents' Page**

# St Margaret Clitherow's Catholic Primary School

## Curriculum Newsletter - Spring 2012



**Year Group: Y5H**  
**Teacher: Mr S. Hill**

School Prayer

St Margaret Clitherow  
Teach us how to be good Christians  
Devoted to our family like you.  
Bless our children,  
Bless all who work here,  
Bless our school and watch over it always.  
Amen.

# Dungeons and Dragons



## Useful websites to support our work this term.

### General/all subjects

- \* <http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/Homework/index.html>
- \* [www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize)

### Literacy

- \* <http://www.coxhoe.durham.sch.uk/Curriculum/Literacy.htm> (click on the KS2 section for literacy resources)
- \* <http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/interactive/literacy.html> (Some of these are for younger children but scroll down to find the relevant activities. Some good games too).

### Maths

- \* [www.mathplayground.com/games.html](http://www.mathplayground.com/games.html)
- \* [www.primarygames.co.uk](http://www.primarygames.co.uk)
- \* [www.rainforestmaths.com](http://www.rainforestmaths.com)
- \* [www.nrich.maths.org.uk](http://www.nrich.maths.org.uk)

### Science

- \* <http://www.coxhoe.durham.sch.uk/Curriculum/Science.htm>
- \* <http://science.howstuffworks.com/>
- \* [www.naturegrid.org.uk](http://www.naturegrid.org.uk)
- \* [www.sciencelessons.digitalbrain.com](http://www.sciencelessons.digitalbrain.com)
- \* <http://www.urbanext.niuc.edu/gpe.html>
- \* <http://www.naturegrid.org.uk/plant/index.html>

### Topic

- \* [www.brimms.co.uk/tudors/](http://www.brimms.co.uk/tudors/) (this is brilliant fun)
- \* [www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/Homework/Tudors.html](http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/Homework/Tudors.html) (very useful)
- \* <http://atschool.eduhub.co.uk/nettsch/time/tudors.html>

## ICT

Google Search Story  
Databases



**Geography**  
Settlement  
Geography of York  
Map reading skills

## Science

Micro-organisms  
Parts of a flowering plant  
Materials and their properties  
Electricity (safety and circuit work)  
Light and Shadows: Sound  
Changing State (solids, liquids and gases)  
Forces, friction and magnetism  
Earth and Beyond  
Investigative work



## History

The Tudor period:  
Henry VIII and his 6 wives  
Battle of Bosworth  
Rich and poor people in Tudor times  
Housing, clothes, food, entertainment  
Crime and punishment  
Healthcare  
Bloody Mary and Elizabeth I  
Exploration  
Francis Drake and the Spanish Armada



## Y5H

**RE**  
Celebrations  
Self-giving  
Thanksgiving



**Literacy**  
Persuasive Writing  
Letters of complaint  
Film Focus  
Discussion texts and balanced arguments  
Instructions  
Poetry  
Comprehension focus  
Writing suspense/adventure stories  
Sentence and punctuation revision  
Word play—eg puns, MAPS  
Punctuation revision

## PSHE

Involvement in school issues through school council and eco committee  
Class rules  
Roles and responsibilities/Leadership  
Respecting diversity

**PE**  
Basketball  
Cross Country



**Maths**  
Mental strategies  
Number sequences and patterns  
Coordinates and transformations  
Word problems and strategies  
Fractions, decimals,  
Angles (types and measuring)  
2D and 3D shapes  
Division and Multiplication



**Art/Design Technology**  
Constructing a 3D castle model with a drawbridge  
Clay dragons

