

Year 6 Newsletter

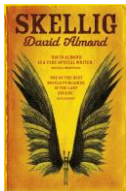
Middleton Parish Church School

English Reading

This half term in reading, we will be focusing on the skills and techniques needed for SATs in preparation for the tests in May. This will mean looking at a range of questions based on retrieval, words in context and inference. We will use a range of fiction and non-fiction texts including past SATs papers.

Writing

In writing, we will be using Skellig by David Almond as a stimulus for writing for a range of purposes from a short suspense story to a moral debate.



Outdoor Shoes

To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag. These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.



Maths

In maths this term we will be revising most areas of the curriculum in preparation for SATs. Please ensure that you are supporting your children at home to complete any homework set and to ensure they are fluent in their recall of times tables facts.



Reading

Class Novel

This half term we will be reading Scavengers by Darren Simpson.

Landfill has lived his whole life as a scavenger, running with wooflers, swimming with turtles and feasting on fresh gull. Old Babagoo has always looked after him, on one condition - follow his rules. NEVER COME LOOKING OUTSIDE. NEVER RISE ABOVE THE WALL. But despite the dangers, Landfill longs to see Outside. And some rules are made to be broken.

Reading Books and GORead!

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book, along with their vocabulary book, should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to GORead.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words/new vocabulary can be added on go read alongside in vocabulary books.



Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mrs Martin or Miss Grindrod please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

year6@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is

office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

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P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School is on a Tuesday for Year 6. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Tuesday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag. Those children who are attending catch up swimming lessons need to bring in their swimming kit on this day.

Swimming

Selected children will continue to attend swimming interventions in order to swim competently, confidently and proficiently using a range of strokes effectively over a distance of at least 25 metres. As well as this, they should be able to perform a safe self-rescue in different water-based situations. Swimming will continue to take place on a Tuesday.

PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'No way through isn't true.' In this topic we will be exploring positive and negative feelings and being able to reflect and understand the feelings and thoughts of others.

Religious Education

In R.E. we will be exploring the Ascension and Pentecost. We will be looking at and retelling the stories of these events while also exploring the Holy Spirit and describing the lives of people who have been transformed by the Holy Spirit.



SATs

As we work towards SATs week, beginning Monday 9th May, the beginning of this term we will be working on ensuring that the children are as prepared as possible. We have a day trip planned on Friday 13th May to celebrate the end of SATs week, where the children will go to ten pin bowling and pizza hut – please ensure you sign the consent form for this!

Homework

In preparation for both SATs and secondary school, pupils will be set homework this term. We ask for your support and co-operation in ensuring that homework is completed and submitted on time. Homework is given out on a Monday and is to be handed back in school on a Friday. Late homework will result in children having to complete it during their break time in order to prepare them for the expectations of high school.