# Year 6 Newsletter

# Middleton Parish Church School

#### English Reading

This half term in reading, we will be recapping the skills and techniques that we have covered throughout the year to help support our reading in to Key Stage 3. 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 nonfiction texts including past SATs papers.

#### Writing

In writing, we will be using the text 'My Family and Other Animals by Gerald Durrell as a stimulus for writing for a range of purposes and also highlighting current global issues.



#### **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 secondary school.

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 continue reading Skellig by David Almond.

So far, the children have been introduced to the main character (Michael) and his struggle with moving to a new house, being secluded and feeling alone. As his friendship has started to blossom with the imaginative Mina, and their secretive adventures to hide Skellig from their patents, we are all eager to find out who / what Skellig is and his purpose in the children's lives.

#### **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

y6@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 wellbeing 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

Eandl@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

### **Summer 2 2022**

#### 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 'Fake is a mistake.' In this topic we will be exploring the characteristics of friendships, and support with problems and difficulties.



#### **Religious Education**

In R.E. we will be exploring 'Life is a Journey.' We will be exploring the journeys taken by significant religious people, as well as exploring the journey of Christianity.

The children will also make links to their journey through Middleton Parish and prepare for their primary school journey to end.



# **Homework**

In prepartion for secondary school, pupils will be set homework this term. We ask for you 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 homeowrk will result in children having to complete it during their break time in order to prepare them for the expectations of high school.