



Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

"Let faith be your shield"

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back. I hope you have had a good Easter break.

Our topic this half term will be **Growth and Change**. We will be looking at maps/globes to find the UK and name the oceans. In Science, we will continue to discuss the animal groups: reptiles, mammals, amphibians, fish and birds and discuss the major differences, with reference to the ones that live in water. Also we will be discussing what plants and vegetables need to help them grow and we will be making our own plant pots and growing our own plants. In Literacy, we will be writing a fact book about plants/flowers looking at the features of a non-fiction book e.g. Glossary. In Art, we will explore using water colours and look at varying artists and their techniques.

Next half term our topic will be **Journeys**. We will be comparing hot and cold places looking at places in the UK and other parts of the World. If you want to tell us about a country e.g. the foods, the climate, the language, currency, the houses etc. to allow the children to see what they are like, then just let me know. We will be looking at Seaside holidays now and in the past and discussing the changes and we will hopefully be able to book another Educational Visit! In Design Technology, we will design and make a boat, evaluating the best materials and what would work and wouldn't. We will be investigating materials that sink and float to explore which would be the best material for making a boat.

Alongside our topic, other subjects will be focussing on:

Literacy - we will look at using Dictionaries, exploring Non-Fiction books, Poetry and exploring stories from the same author.

Numeracy - this term we will continue to focus on numbers to 40 first, then move to numbers to 100, place value, addition and subtraction facts, word problems, fractions, time, money, volume and capacity, mass and space and continuing with counting and mental calculations.

RE - we will focus on 'What is a Saint?' and 'Why is Baptism special?'

P.E. - PE Days are on a **Monday, Wednesday and Friday** but with the weather hopefully improving, we will try and get outside as much as we can on varying days. We will be doing Athletics and Games this term. Please ensure your child has their kit in school every day and that all items are clearly labelled and pumps still fit.

Computing - we will be looking at 'Animation and Sound'.

As always, the children should read at home as often as possible. There may be more phonic homework leading up to the Phonic Screening in June.

If you have any queries or concerns do not hesitate to come and talk to us.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Boyle

