

St Charles RCVA Primary School Year 2 Newsletter

Summer (1) 2021

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter!

We are so looking forward to welcoming your children back to the classroom for another jam packed half term.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hill and Miss Tallentire

RE English

In RE, we will be celebrating the risen Lord and looking at why Jesus sent the Holy Spirit and how Jesus' ministry on earth continued through his followers in our topic,

Spread the Word.

We will then be learning about rules; why rules are important but also why it's important to forgive when rules are broken. Children will learn about the sacrament of Reconciliation; what it is and why it's important to Christians.

We will be revisiting our phase 5 sounds throughout this term, as well as practising our weekly spelling rules.

This half term we will be using the books The Great Fire of London, Amazing Grace and George's Marvellous Medicine. We will be practicing our writing skills by writing a variety of genres including recounts, stories, letters and instructions. Within our writing we will be embedding our use of the past and present tense, noun phrases, use of exclamation, question, statement and command sentences.





Maths Science

For the next two weeks we will be learning how to measure using a ruler. We will be comparing length and height using centimetres and metres, saying which is longer or shorter.

In our position and direction topic, children will then learn to use 'left', 'right', 'forwards', 'backwards', 'full turn', 'half turn', 'quarter turn', 'three-quarter turn', 'clockwise' and 'anticlockwise' to describe position and direction. They will describe the position of objects and shapes from different starting positions. Children will practically follow and give directions with a partner before writing directions for routes and recording routes on 2-D grids.

In Science, we will be completing our studying of Living Things and their Habitats before starting a new topic on Everyday Materials.

This topic will have children investigating a range of materials, their properties and suitability for different uses.

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In History, we will finish our topic The Great Fire of London before learning about Women in History!

We will be studying the lives of Mary Anning, whose discoveries paved the way for modern palaeontology,

Creative

In DT, we will be investigating moving vehicles and having a go at designing and creating our own.

and Florence Nightingale who used her influence to
improve nursing and hospitals.

In Music, we will be focussing on celebrating South African Music by listening to a song called Hands, Feet, Heart.

Reminders

Homework

Homework will be set on a Monday to be returned on a Friday. Tasks will be set on Google Classroom unless a paper copy has been requested.

Maths

Maths homework will be set each week, tasks maybe be assigned on Mathletics or TeacherMade. Times Table Rock Star Battles will happen every **Thursday**.

Spellings

A Google task to use our weekly spellings in sentences will be assigned each week. Spelling Shed will be available to practice the weekly spellings from Monday to Friday.

Reading

A home reader and an 'own choice' book will be sent home on a Friday to be returned and changed the following Friday. We do not expect the 'own choice' books to be changed every week as they may take a few weeks to read. Children can then complete the Accelerated Reader quiz for their book to earn points.

Each child has been assigned several books on MyOn these will be changed every fortnight. Children can then complete the Accelerated Reader quiz. The link to our Accelerated Reader site is in Google Classroom.

PE Days

Our PE day will be Thursday. Children can come in PE kits on these days. Please note our PE kits consist of a white T-shirt and black sports trousers / leggings or green / black shorts.

Water Bottles and Snacks

Please send your child in with a water bottle, this can be refilled throughout the day. Children are welcome to bring in snacks, however these must be healthy snacks such as fruit not crisps or sweets. Any snacks sent into school should be in a **disposable container**. Please do not send in nuts as we have allergies in the school. Thank you.