

St Charles RCVA Primary School Year 6 Newsletter

Summer (1) 2021

Welcome Back to School

Welcome back to our Year 6 pupils.

The Summer term is always a busy term for many reasons. We may not be taking the SATs tests in May, but there will be lots going on and new things to learn.

We hope that as restrictions change, we may be able to do some of our traditional Year 6 activities. Many pupils, and parents have been asking about information regarding their secondary schools. Detailed information about times for buses and transition plans will be sent out via your child's new school, but if I have any information that I need to pass on to parents, I will make sure you have this. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Many thanks

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RE English

In RE this half term, we will be looking at what it means to be a witness and how feelings and beliefs can affect behaviour and attitudes when making a decision. Pupils will be exploring Scripture and looking at how beliefs shapes the lives of those who witnessed the power of the Holy Spirit.

We will also be moving onto pupils comparing their ideas about friendship, and makings between Scripture and the Eucharist; developing the use of religious vocabulary to give reasons for actions and symbols in Mass.

In our Islam unit, we will be looking at the Five Pillars of Islam give guidance to Muslims and the importance of looking at the world and caring for our environment.

In this half term, lessons will be looking at how to structure sentences in a variety of ways to engage with the reader and using a range of writing techniques to develop own writing style. We will be using film and book narratives for fictional and non-fictional writing. We will be continuing to practise forming our letters correctly and joining them in the correct way. Spellings will focus on our challenge word lists and word endings. Pupils will also be reading a variety of texts to develop their skills in decoding, retrieval of information and inferring. We will be building up our techniques in summarising and exploring vocabulary of familiar and unfamiliar words.

Maths Science

This half term we will be continuing to recap some skills from Year 5 and exploring new mathematical terms and concepts, including:

Angles

This will include measuring angles, knowing key facts about angles on a straight-line and around a point, and finding missing angles in triangles and quadrilaterals

Statistics

This unit will be looking at graphs and pie charts and how to read them and interpret the data. We will also be looking at how to find the mean.

This half term pupils will be learning about evolution and inheritance. They will be building on learning from Year 3 on rocks, habitats and animals including humans.

By the end of the unit, pupils will be able to identify inherited and adaptive traits, develop an understanding of evolutionary ideas and theories over time and understand that adaptation and evolution is not the same process for all living things.

History Creative

During this half term we will be looking at the Early Islamic Civilisation and how this was a significant turning point in history. We will look at the influence of Muhammad and how the civilisation grew and developed during his time and after his death.

During this half term, pupils will be responding to the work of Gustav Klimt, and developing this ideas using sketchbook drawings. This will be combining visual and tactile materials to create a collage using a layering technique. They will move onto looking at the work of Cubist artists and how they represented three-dimensional figures on a flat surface.

Reminders

- Please ensure that your child wears full school uniform. On PE days, pupils are to come to school in the school kit, appropriate for outdoor sports. This is a white t-shirt, black, or dark trousers or leggings, and their green school jumper, cardigan or hoodie.
- Please can I remind parents that pupils do not need to bring school bags in. I am aware, however, that those who bike, or scooter to school, may need something when carrying their packed lunches and water bottles.
- It is advised that all pupils bring in a water bottle. Staying hydrated helps with concentration and focus.
- Pupils can continue to bring in healthy snacks for a morning break time.
- If your child is to start and walk home from school, we do need written permission before they start to do so. This can be sent in as a letter, or via the office email address.
- Please can I remind parents, and pupils, that earrings must be studs and not hoops. No other jewellery should be worn in school. We ask that pupils do not wear smart watches to school.