



Autumn Term Newsletter



Year 2 / 3

RE

We are following Come and See to deliver the RE curriculum. The half term will begin with our 'other faiths' topic about Judaism. We will learn about Shabbat and what we will find inside the synagogue.

We will then be learning about Baptism and Confirmation before Advent, as we prepare for Christmas.

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to another busy half term at St John's! Following a very good start to the year, the children have a lot to look forward to in Autumn 2. Please take a look at what the children will be learning this half term.

PE

Our PE lessons take place on a Thursday. Please ensure that your child comes to school in an outdoor PE kit. This should consist of shorts/jogging bottoms (which should be plain/dark in colour) and a white t shirt.

Please ensure that your child is also wearing suitable footwear for PE.

Maths

This half-term, we are focusing on Addition and Subtraction and Multiplication.

Addition and Subtraction

Addition with 3 digit and 2-digit numbers.
Adding money/Finding change
Subtracting a 1 digit from a 2 digit number.

Multiplication

Count in 3's
Count in 50's
Knowing the 2-, 3- and 4-times tables.

All children will be given login information for;
Numbots -Year 2

Times Tables Rockstars – Year 3

They should access Numbots or Times Table Rockstars at home at least twice a week to consolidate learning of maths and to support their maths skills.

More information on this, will be shared at Parents Evening this week.

Science

This term in Science we are looking at Animals including Humans. The children will be answering some 'Big Questions' about animals and their offspring; life cycles; the human skeleton and how to eat a healthy diet.

History

We have been learning about the Stone Age to the Iron Age. The children are keen to learn more following our excellent visit. We will continue with History for another few weeks before starting our Geography unit before Christmas.

Geography

We will be looking at our Geography unit 'The Rainforest'. We will be discovering where rainforests can be found around the world, what lives there and how we can protect them for the future.

PSHE & Wellbeing

We will be using Ten Ten Resources to support our PSHE curriculum. This term, our focus will be Created and loved by God, Emotional wellbeing, and life cycles.

English

This half-term, we will be using a range of texts to support our reading and writing in English.

To coincide with our recent visit, we will be looking at a Non – Chronological report about the Stone Age and writing a Non – Chronological report about the Great White Shark.

We will then begin to focus our writing on a fantastic text called 'The Great Kapok Tree'. This focusses on how we can save the rainforest and the animals that live there. The children will be writing with the purpose of protecting the rainforests of the world.

During December, our writing will have a narrative theme, based Raymond Biggs' magical book – The Snowman.

Please read with your child at home as part of their homework. This should be recorded on their green card and returned to school on a Monday to be marked. This can be any book of their choice.