



Summer Term – Second Half
4.6.24-19.7.24

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

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Our Mission Statement

We would like to be recognised by the quality and depth of respect and love which we show towards each other. Mutual respect and tolerance are central to our way of life at St. Mary's as we meet Jesus Christ in each other.

The children's final half-term approaches and we are all wondering where the time has gone.

The final half term will focus on getting the children secondary ready but also celebrating their time at St Mary's. We look forward to the production and all the planned celebrations towards the end of the term to reward the children for all of their hard work. Thank you so much for all of your continued support this year.

Monday 3rd June: INSET day

Wednesday 5th June: D&T baking scones

Sunday 9th June to Wednesday 12th June: School Journey

Wednesday 19th June: Sports Day (lunchtime picnic with parents until 1pm)

Thursday 20th June: Medium-schools Athletics Competition (defending our title as Champions two years running!)

Tuesday 2nd July: 6EW forest school adventure day

Wednesday 3rd July: 6EH forest school adventure day

Thursday 11th July: Year 6 Production (no younger siblings please)

Tuesday 16th July: Leavers' Mass 7pm (all welcome)

Thursday 18th July: Leavers' Disco

Friday 19th July: Whole-school Mass/break up at 2pm



Religious Education

Topic this half-term is 'Called to Serve', reflecting on our calling to be disciples of Jesus.

Literacy

Writing Focus: We will be looking at the work of Benjamin Zephaniah, particularly Windrush Child.

Speaking & Listening: Performance skills will be honed through our Productions and Performances.

Reading: Comprehension exercises and reading sessions will continue to develop comprehension skills.

Grammar: Grammar is a key requirement for all primary age children and therefore is threaded throughout all lessons.

Homework: Literacy homework is set on Tuesday and should be submitted on Thursday. Some longer research-based pieces of Homework may have a longer deadline. This will be noted in the Homework diary.

Mathematics

Problem-Solving: We will be developing further our problem-solving skills. We will be reviewing our knowledge about number and how we use maths in every-day life. We will be having fun applying our knowledge to cracking codes and solving puzzles.

Maths Homework: Homework is set on Tuesday and should be submitted on Thursday.

Science – animals, including humans

Our topic continues- 'Animals, including humans', looking at the impact of diet, exercise, drugs & lifestyle on the way bodies function.

RSE

Our RSE topic is 'Keeping Safe', including keeping safe online and the importance of making good choices to look after our physical and mental health. We will also learn some basic first aid strategies.

Other Curriculum Areas

P.E.: St. Mary's PE kit (fully named) is vital and should be in school **each day**. If your child is chosen for a school team and borrows a school kit, please ensure your child returns the washed kit within two days.

Humanities: We will be building on our map reading skills including orienteering activities. In History we will study the achievements of one of the earliest civilisations, the Shang Dynasty.

Art: we will be looking at the art work of Georgia O'Keefe.

Computing: our topics include Binary & Networks.

French: this half-term's topic: *Quoi de neuf?* What's in the news?

There are many secondary school induction days planned for the Summer term. Please can we ask that you give us plenty of notice if your child is going to be out of school for a visit as this impacts our planning. If you notify the school in advance, the absence will be counted as "authorised".

We look forward to seeing you at the many planned events this term!

Best wishes

Year 6 team