

Literacy: Key Focus/Skills

Reading : Pupils will read and discuss a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. They will be graded to suit reading levels. All children will read the class novel, *Wonder* and will complete associated reading activities on this. All children will have their own Guided Reading text.

Grammar and Punctuation: Pupils will focus on: Parts of speech - Nouns, adjectives, verbs and adverbs; Types of sentences; Verbs tenses (past); Auxiliary verbs; Adjectives (comparatives and superlatives).

Comprehension: Pupils will be encouraged to read and understand different types of text, including fiction, non-fiction, cross-curricular topic work and poetry.

Writing-Fiction and Non-Fiction: The writing focus for the term will be writing an explanation for different audiences and purposes. Also, writing a recount for two different audiences.

Handwriting: Pupils will focus on developing a legible and swift style of joined handwriting. Pupils will evaluate their writing.

ICT

Use ICT to enhance, support and extend learning; share and exchange work; exhibit and showcase learning and complete relevant ICT tasks. Pupils will have the opportunity to apply their ICT skills throughout different curricular areas using a variety of Microsoft Office 365 programs and relevant iPad apps. Children will create video presentations and animations related to World Around Us topics.

Homework

Monday: Spelling activity, Numeracy, Mental Maths, Reading.

Tuesday: Literacy, Numeracy, Mental Maths, Reading.

Wednesday: Literacy, Numeracy, Mental Maths, Reading.

Thursday: Literacy, Numeracy, Reading, revision of Spellings and Times Tables for Friday assessment.

Need to Know book should be used for weekly revision of Literacy/ Numeracy topics.

World Around Us

Pupils will work on two topics in World Around Us during Term 1:

Mighty Microbes: The children will investigate helpful and harmful micro-organisms, explore food hygiene and study the work of famous scientists and their impact on the world of medicine.

Faith and Light: The pupils will explore different religions and faiths around the world and look at special religious festivals.

Religion

Explore the story of Creation and images and stories of nature used by Jesus. Become aware of the Spirit of God in us and in others.

Numeracy: Key Focus/ Skills

Mental Maths- Know multiplication facts up to 12×12 and associated division facts. Use knowledge of place value to multiply and divide whole numbers by 10 and 100.

Number- Read, write and order whole numbers within 1000000, develop a standard method for addition and subtraction, recognise negative numbers and extend number sequences. Use a calculator to solve problems.

Measure- Understand and use the relationship between metric units of length, read scales accurately in a range of metric units and use the metric units of mass.

Shape & Space- Recognise parallel and perpendicular lines, classify 2D shapes including triangles, quadrilaterals, (ir)regular polygons and concave and convex polygons.

Handling Data- Understand and use the language of probability.

Interpret bar and bar line charts, find the mode, range and mean of a set of data. Record, present and explain the findings of topic research/investigations.

Problem Solving- Develop a range of problem solving strategies. Apply mathematical knowledge and understanding to real-life Maths problems.

St Mary's Primary School

Parent Information Sheet
Term 1 Sept 2024—Dec 2024

Year 6 Mr Kearney

Home/ School Communication

What should I do if my child is having a problem?

1. Contact Class Teacher by Seesaw/ Microsoft Teams/ phone
2. Contact Principal

Parents can maintain contact with the teacher through Seesaw/ Microsoft Teams or arrange an appointment through the office staff. All queries will be responded to promptly.

How Parent /Guardian Can Help

Be positive and encourage your child by showing an interest in their work. Listen to your child reading aloud-talk about the text and the meanings of any difficult words, phrases etc. Sign and comment in your child's Reading Record. Continue to develop your child's Mental Maths skills at all opportunities e.g. Tables games, quick recall of number facts, rounding prices when shopping, calculating totals and change etc. Support pupils by helping to research topics through search engines, reference books, visiting the Library or sharing personal experiences.

Key Events/ Dates

- School Closed Staff Development Day- Friday 20th September 2024
- Halloween Holidays- Week Beginning Monday 27th October 2024
- Christmas Holidays- Friday 20th December 2024

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