



Summer 2021 Class Newsletter Year 6



Class Teachers: Mr Rogers and Miss Turner

Welcome back to everyone - we hope that you all had a safe and enjoyable Easter break. We are looking forward to what promises to be a busy and exciting final term together.

Here is a brief outline of the topics and areas we will be covering during the coming term.

Important dates for Japan and South Africa Classes:

Thursday 22nd April - Vashti Hardy Author Zoom Visit

Friday 23rd April - St George's Day Eucharist

Wednesday 28th April - Mrs Egan (Head of KS3) and other staff from The Weald to visit

Friday 30th April - Non Uniform Day

Monday 3rd May - BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June - HALF TERM

Thursday 17th June - KS2 Sports Events

Friday 25th June - School Reports go home

Tuesday 29th June - Parents' Evening (via School Cloud)

Wednesday 30th June - Familiarisation visit to The Weald (Other schools haven't sent dates yet)

Thursday 1st July - Parents' Evening (via School Cloud)

Tuesday 6th July - Production 1:30pm and 6:00pm

Thursday 8th July - Production 6:00pm

Friday 9th July - Production 6:00pm

Tuesday 20th July - Leavers' Service in Church 2:00pm

Thursday 22nd July - Leavers' Assembly 9:30am

Friday 23rd July - INSET DAY

Swimming:

We are pleased to be resuming swimming lessons this term. Both Year 6 classes will swim on Thursdays. Lessons will be taught by Mrs Treadwell and the children will swim in groups (maximum of 10 per group). Please note that earrings must be removed for swimming lessons and children with hair longer than their chin will require a swimming hat. Other useful items include deodorant (no sprays please) and a hairbrush. Verruca socks must be worn if required; these can be purchased from the local chemist or pharmacy. Please make sure that sun cream or hair gel are not applied before swimming. It would also be helpful if the children could have sun hats and raincoats to be worn at the poolside if needed.

We require written consent if you would like your child to wear goggles for our Swimming lessons.

PE:

The children will be focusing on Invasion Games and Athletics this term. PE will be taught by Mrs Burbidge on Friday afternoons. Please ensure that children's PE kits are brought in on a Monday morning and remain in school all week. All kit must be clearly named, long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed for PE sessions. Children should have PE shirts, shorts, outdoor shoes, long trousers and jumper or tracksuit for outdoors in their PE kits.

Homework:

- **Reading:** Please ensure that your child reads to you or independently weekly and that this is signed and dated in their reading logs. This will form an important part of our assessment for reading, and is a key dialogue between home and school. Reading logs will be collected in every Monday. In line with our risk assessment, they will be marked on a Wednesday and returned to the children on a Thursday. Books borrowed from the school library should be returned to the boxes in the library, where they will be stored for 48 hours before being put out for others to borrow.
- **Spellings:** These will be set each Monday and tested the following Monday. Words lists will be uploaded to Google Classroom for the children to practise at home and spelling books will remain in school.
- **Homework:** A new homework grid for the Summer term will be uploaded to Google Classroom. Please ensure that the children complete one piece of homework from the grid each week. This should be submitted to Google Classroom,

either as a document (Word, PowerPoint, etc) if completed electronically, or a photograph of the learning in their Home School Notebook.

- TT Rockstars and MyMaths: Please continue to use these online platforms to support the children's Maths learning. TT Rockstars has shown a significant impact on the children's fluency, recall speed and accuracy when using written methods for multiplication. We will continue to set tasks on MyMaths; these will provide the children with the opportunity to link homework activities to their class-based learning and will enable them to consolidate the skills that have been taught.

Theme for the term - Me, Myself and I:

This term we will be reflecting on our time spent at St Mary's, whilst learning about ourselves and looking ahead to future challenges. We will celebrate our achievements and discuss the forthcoming transition to secondary schools in September.

English:

- Report writing: Romeo and Juliet
- Biographies and autobiographies (including extracts from 'Boy' by Roald Dahl)
- Persuasive writing: Healthy eating focus
- Play scripts

Maths:

We will continue to follow the White Rose scheme of learning. You will see that some of the Spring topics have carried over into this term - this is due to the time that was allocated to revision when the children returned to school, in order to assess and consolidate the subjects which were delivered during home learning. There will be regular opportunities for development of arithmetic skills, mental maths, investigations and problem solving.

- Measurement: Area, Perimeter and Volume
- Algebra
- Number: Ratio
- Statistics
- Geometry: Properties of Shape

Science:

Our main theme this term will be 'The Circulatory System.' We will also complete a project linked to our English persuasive writing unit exploring the dangers of excess sugar in the diet and the long term effects that diet can have on the body.

RE:

This term's themes are Christianity: 'Kingdom of God' and Islam: 'What does the Qu'ran reveal about Allah and his guidance?'

RHE:

We will continue with our unit on 'Weighing Up Risk' (Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco). This will be followed by Fun, Food and Fitness (Science), Keeping Safe and Moving On (Transition).

Computing:

This term we will continue to explore programming and will look at Multimedia (digitally publishing our newspaper reports).

Art and Music:

In Art, we will build on last term's Landscape unit and apply the skills that have been taught to watercolour. We are delighted to be able to resume singing in our class bubbles this term and look forward to learning songs for the summer production.

Spanish:

We were pleased to welcome Miss Bell back from maternity leave last term and she will continue to teach Spanish during our PPA time on Friday afternoons.

Important Information:

Please note that we are a nut free school. We politely request that you ensure your children do not bring nuts into school as a snack or in their packed lunches. This includes any food item that may contain nuts.

We hope this has been helpful. Please do contact us via the class email addresses if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Mr Rogers and Miss Turner
Year 6 Teachers