

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 6 AUTUMN 1 2016

Literacy

Our work this term will be based around Roald Dahl's 'The Witches'. We will start by learning about information texts before writing our own text about how to identify witches. We will then move onto narrative writing and write our own version of what happens to individuals who take 'Formula 86 delay action mouse maker'.

Religious Education

We will start the year focusing on the theme of family and, in particular, love. We will explore what love means and, through scripture and prayer, come to understand God's unconditional love and forgiveness. We will also link this to the Caritas theme of 'The Dignity of The Human Person'.

ICT

We are going to use the Purple Mash software to learn about Coding. We will be working our way through the 'Chimp' section, using commands related to time, collision and random factors. By the end of this unit, we will have learnt how to create a set of instructions to tell a programme to do something, as well as debugging instructions so that they work correctly. We will use this to design our own Viking game.

French

We will listen to and identify words and short phrases in French. We will then create our own using different adjectives and masculine and feminine nouns.

History

We will learn about the Vikings this half-term. We will look at famous Viking raids which took place during their invasion and the resistance they faced from Alfred the Great. We will explore some of the myths about these 'ruthless savages' and discover what the Vikings did when they were here.

Maths

This half-term we will be applying our knowledge of Place Value to whole numbers and decimals. We will then proceed to look at different techniques for mental and written addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will then finish off by looking at the properties of 2D shapes and 3D shapes.

Year 6 Home Learning

Reading is one of the most important skills your child will ever learn. They have Guided Reading sessions on a daily basis and may take their reading book home from time to time and so we ask that you spend time sitting and listening to your child read and also discussing the book. This will be recorded in their Home Learning Planner along with any other English and Maths Home Learning.

Our Topic Based Home Learning Project will be sent home this Friday. Children in Year 6 have to achieve a minimum of 25 points. Progress towards all the tasks should take place at home. If you need any support from school, please let me know. Finished project work should be brought into school by Friday 9th October.

Please ensure your child brings their Home Learning Planner and book bag every day and that you sign their home learning diary weekly.

Music

We Will be learning 'Livin On A Prayer' by Bon Jovi and will add our own improvisations using our voices and instruments.

Design and Technology

We will be looking to create a mechanical structure using a range of skills and joining techniques. To do this we will explore different ideas before coming up with our final product design and making it.

Science: Living Things and their Habitats

In this unit we will learn about different ways of classifying living things. We will learn about the work of famous scientist Carl Linnaeus before looking at and grouping different species of birds and plants.

P.E.

PE will be Mondays and Thursdays this half term. On Mondays we will learn how to play Volleyball with Miss Daniels and Mr Welsh. We will then learn how to play Basketball on Thursdays through learning how to dribble with greater control and shoot accurately.

Please make sure P.E. kit is clearly labelled and stays in school until half-term. For all PE lessons, except gymnastics, trainers are to be worn in order to provide more support for feet and ankles.

Diary Dates:

Thursday Sept 8th - 6.30pm Y6 parents meeting - Robinwood, 7pm Presentation to Parents by St Augustine's
Tuesday Sept 13th - Roald Dahl Day
Tuesday Sept 13th - 6.30pm PTFA meeting in school
Friday Sept 16th - 2.30pm Mass in School Hall
Wednesday Sept 21st - Y6 go to Robinwood
Wednesday Sept 28th - 9am - 10am Literacy Open mornings Y456
Friday October 7th - 8.30am onwards, Individual photos
Thursday Oct 13th - Parents' Evening
Tuesday 25th October - School closes at 3:30p.m.

Clubs:

WB Monday 12th Sept, Clubs start
Wednesday 5th Oct, Band starts

Family Masses:

Saturday 8th October, 5.45pm