

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 2 AUTUMN 2 2016

MATHS

We will build on our knowledge of the number system and begin to make connections between repeated addition and subtraction to multiplication and division. We will learn how to tell the time to the o'clock, half past and quarter past and will solve simple problems using this.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION- ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS

Children will learn that Advent is four weeks of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. We will read and listen to stories of the Annunciation, the Visitation and the Nativity and be familiar with the characters in these events.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 8th November -PFTA Meeting 6:30pm

Friday 11th November - Non-Uniform Day for Chocolate

w/c 14th November - Anti bullying week

w/c 21st November - Creative week (History)

Thursday 24th November- Open Afternoon (including prospective parents)

Friday 2nd December - 2.30pm - Mass and Awards in Church

Saturday 3rd December - 11 - 1pm Christmas Fair, 4pm Rishton Lights Switch On

Tuesday 13th December - 10am Pantomime

Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Lunch

Thursday 15th December- 2pm and 6.30pm - Infant Production for parents

Friday 16th December- 9.15am - Whole School Mass

Monday 19th December - PTFA Discos: 6pm (Infants) 7.15pm (Juniors)

Tuesday 20th December 2pm - Carol Service in school

Wednesday 21st December - Class parties & Christmas Jumper Day. School Closes. Children may be collected at 2pm.

Family Masses at 5:45pm Saturday 12th Nov & 10th Dec

P.E.

During Wednesday's P.E lessons we will build on our gymnastic skills learnt last half term. We will learn to put our rolls and other movement into simple routines as well as learning how to vault. Friday's lesson will be outdoors (unless wet) and will be focusing on health and fitness. Lessons will include running, Zumba and mini circuits. I ask that trainers are to be worn in order to provide more support for feet and ankles.

HOME READING/ HOMEWORK

Reading books are changed daily, please encourage your child to read at home. This half term I will be sending home homework every Friday. Each child will be given an orange book with homework appropriate for them. It will be based on the work we have been doing in class so they should be able to do it independently.

MUSIC & NATIVITY

Within Music lessons children will become familiar with different musical vocabulary such as tempo and timbre. We will begin to learn the Nativity songs for our Key Stage One Production 'Lights, Camel Action'. Please encourage your child to learn their lines for the Christmas Nativity and help them to be dramatic and expressive.

LITERACY: TRADITIONAL TALES

We will read a variety of Traditional Tales (with a twist), looking at the settings, characters and the problems in each. Children will be able to write their own twisted traditional tale which will include compound sentences (using **and** and **but**), subordination using the time word '**when**' and the features of a traditional tale.

SCIENCE

Our Science topic this half term is about being fit and healthy. We will learn about the different food groups and how we need them for our everyday lives. We will learn about the different types of exercise and the effects it has on our body. We will bake using healthy recipes and research where our food actually comes from.

PHONICS/ GRAMMAR

Children will work in groups appropriate to their level. They will continue to learn sounds and begin to learn the rules of spelling.

COMPUTING

Children will be introduced to the different ways of electronic communication. They will contribute ideas towards group emails and the school blog. They will learn how to stay safe when communicating online and recognise when an attachment may be unsafe to open. Activities will be linked to Science and English.