

# ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 4 SUMMER 1 2017

## English

We will write a non-chronological report on the artist, Henri Matisse. We will write a persuasive letter to Lancashire County Council to keep Rishton Library open. We will read excerpts from the Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame and look at how Alan Bennett adapted it into a play. We will write our own scene with the characters.

In Spelling we will finish learning the list of statutory words for Years 3 and 4 plus words with 'sc', endings that are spelt 'sion' and more homophones. In Grammar and Punctuation, we will battle on with possessive apostrophes!

## Art

We will be learning collage techniques inspired by French artist, Henri Matisse with Mrs Hurst.

## Science

We will finish studying the human digestive system and how food is transported around the body. We will find out about Sound, how it travels, pitch and volume. We will then investigate materials to see which will provide the best insulation against sound.

## Geography

We will be learning about Canada and continue developing our mapping skills using ICT.

## French

We will be developing speaking and listening skills using songs and rhymes.

## RE & PSHE

We will be learning how to hear and live the Easter message spread by the power of the Holy Spirit. We will be looking at the life and work of St Paul. We will find out about the Church's teaching on the dignity of work, the full humanity of the worker and how work contributes to the common good.

## Homework

Children will bring home longer books which they should read independently for at least 20 minutes daily. Please help develop their comprehension skills by asking them questions on what they have read.

Project based homework will be focusing on Judaism in preparation to our visit to a synagogue next term. Year 4 children need to accumulate at least 15 points in half a term. Purple Learning Log Books need to show work in progress.

Children will have a tables test ('The Box') each Friday. They need to practise 3 times per week at home. A weekly list of spellings or a worksheet will also be sent home for learning.

*Homework must be handed in on Wednesdays please.*

## Maths

We will be learning to:

- Interpret and solve problems based on information presented in a variety of graphs.
- Counting and Sequencing using statistics and measures.
- Identify decimals and fractions when measuring
- Consolidating understanding on fractions and divisions.
- Solve mass and capacity problems
- Explore shape and area
- Solve time problems
- Learn multiplication and division facts for the 12 times table.

## P.E.

P.E. will be on Mondays and Thursdays. Mr Slater will be teaching hockey and Mrs Hodgson, basketball skills. Please make sure all kit is in school including pumps or trainers. Non-swimmers will continue to swim with Miss Gunn and Year 3 on Thursdays.

## Diary Dates:

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April School opens and clubs restart  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> 3.30 -4.45pm Y4 Eco Club starts  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 6.30pm PTFA Games Night - families welcome

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May School closed for Bank Holiday  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 6pm Sacramental Programme Meeting

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 5.45pm Family Mass  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, Class Photos - please look smart!  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, school closes for Half-Term and reopens on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 8.55am.