

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 5 AUTUMN 1 2018

Literacy

We will start this year by reading 'The Witches' by Roald Dahl and learning how we can use descriptive language when describing characters. We will also write a recount linked to some of the events from the story. The children have been given a list of spellings to practice at home and bring in every few weeks to be checked.

Religious Education

Family is our main theme this half term. We will focus on 'ourselves' and how we are created in the image and likeness of God. We will also explore how each person is unique and irreplaceable and how everyone matters. We will link this to our Caritas theme 'The Dignity of The Human Person'.

Design and Technology

Structures is our topic for this half-term and will link to our class novel, 'The Witches'. The children will create either a wardrobe for the witches or a mouse house for Bruno.

French

We will learn conventions for asking and answering questions. We will also build on our vocabulary knowledge from Year 4 and practice using a bilingual dictionary to find the spelling and meaning of words.

Geography

Our topic this half-term focusses on our understanding of 'The World Around Us'. We will explore different types of maps, use six figure grid references and then create our own maps.

Maths

Our first 'Maths - No Problem!' unit this half-term is Place Value. We will be applying our knowledge of this area in order to read, write and compare numbers to 1,000,000. Next, we will create our own number patterns and learn about rounding. Finally, we will further our knowledge of adding and subtracting numbers to 1,000,000.

Year 5 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. The children are also able to take books home from our class library to read. I try to provide a range of books in the class library to engage the children from newspaper sports sections and football/rugby programmes to wildlife magazines. If you have anything at home which might be of use, please send it into school.

A Topic Based Home Learning Project will be sent home and children in Year 5 should aim for a minimum of 20 points. Finished project work should be brought into school by Friday 12th October where the children will be rewarded with dojo points for Responsibility.

Computing

We will develop our understanding of using code to create repeated actions in programs. We will then learn how to find errors in code.

Art and Design

Painting is our topic for this half-term. We will develop our drawing skills through close observation of pictures. We will then explore our understanding of painting techniques in order to develop our drawings into paintings.

Science

This half term our topic is Properties and Changes to Materials. We will explore and test the properties of materials and consider how materials change, thinking about whether these changes are reversible or irreversible.

P.E.

PE will be on Tuesdays. This half-term the children will take part in a multi-skills festival using our new markings and then move onto learning how to play rugby. We will also use the mile loop every day.

Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings removed on PE days. For all PE lessons trainers, if possible, are to be worn in order to provide more support for feet and ankles. PE kits are to remain in school until half-term.

Diary Dates:

Thursday Sept 13th - Roald Dahl Day
Thursday Sept 20th - 6.30pm PTFA meeting in school
Friday Sept 21st - Harvest Assembly and foodbank donations
Tuesday October 2nd - 9am and 6pm - phonics presentation for parents
Friday October 5th - 8.30am onwards, Individual photos
Thursday Oct 11th - Parents' Evening
Friday 19th October - School closes at 3:30pm
Monday 5th November - School opens at 8:55am