

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 2 AUTUMN 2 2018

MATHS

We will build on our knowledge of simple subtraction. We will learn new methods of taking away using the Maths No Problem scheme of work. We will become familiar with different vocabulary and use this to help us solve mathematical problems.

P.E.

PE lessons will be on Wednesday mornings with Miss Brazendale doing indoor gymnastics. Children will create simple routines and learn how to vault. Full PE kits must be in school for each lesson and earrings must be removed.

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.

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.

HOME READING/ HOMEWORK

Reading books are changed daily and it is important to try and read with your child at home. Please continue to encourage your child to complete their homework which is based on the work they have done in class, therefore they should be able to do it independently.

SCIENCE

Our Science topic this half term is about being fit and healthy. We will learn about the different food groups and how important they are. 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.

DIARY DATES

Monday 12th November - PTFA Meeting at 6:30pm
Thursday 22nd November - Open Afternoon (including prospective parents) 2pm & 6.30pm
Friday 16th November - Non-Uniform Day for Chocolate
Saturday Dec 1st - Christmas Fair - 11am - 1pm
Monday 3rd December - Advent Service at SS Peter & Paul's - 6:30pm
Wednesday 5th December - Pantomime - 10am
Wednesday 12th December - Whole School Mass - 9:15am
Wednesday 12th December - Christmas Lunch
Thursday 13th December - Infant Production at 2pm and 6:30pm
Wednesday 19th December - Carol Service in school - 2pm
Friday 21st December - Class parties & Christmas Jumper Day. School Closes 3.30pm
Thursday 3rd January 2018 - School re-opens

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, 'Bethlehem is Buzzin'. Please encourage your child to learn their lines for the Christmas Nativity and help them to be dramatic and expressive.

PHONICS/ GRAMMAR

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

HISTORY

Children will learn about Rishton in the past. They will ask questions, look at photos and compare how life has changed since then. Children will develop their understanding of how everyday life has changed over time.

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.