

# ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 4 AUTUMN 2 2018

## English

We will be looking at information texts on World War 1 and will take part in a drama workshop. We will be reading stories set in imaginary places including *The Borrowers* and *Peter Pan*. We will read and learn how to write poems inspired by winter. In Spelling, we will be learning words with the prefixes 'in-', 'il', 'im-' and 'ir-' plus Word Lists 4, 5 and 6.

## History

We will be learning about World War 1 through letters, photographs and posters and linking this work with the centenary commemorations locally.

## Geography

We will be developing our map reading skills before drawing a simple map of the local area with a variety of manmade and natural features.

## Computing

We will continue Computing with Mr. Kennedy this half-term. This term, we will learn how to create a spreadsheet and insert simple formulas.

## Science

We will learn about Electricity, including how to build our own circuits, before drawing these using symbols.

## Music

We will be learning a song to sing at the Christmas Fair.

## P.E.

We will be developing skills in gymnastics on Tuesday afternoons and improving our health and wellbeing by aiming to run a 15 minute mile daily. Trainers for running and pumps for gymnastics would be ideal, if possible.

## RE & PSHE

We will be learning about the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation linking this with the theme of belonging. Then as Advent begins, we will look at God's gift of love and friendship through the birth of Jesus. In PSHE we will learn about keeping ourselves safe whilst taking part in Anti-bullying Week.

## Homework

In Y4, children will bring home longer books to read for pleasure which they should read independently for at least 20 minutes daily.

Project based homework will be on the History topic World War 1. Year 4 children need to accumulate at least 15 points in half a term. *Orange Home Learning Books need to show work in progress.*

Children will have a tables test ('The Box') each Friday. They need to practise at least 3 times per week at home or complete a worksheet on a particular table.

A weekly list of spellings or a worksheet will also be sent home for learning to be completed by the following **Wednesday**. These will be Word Lists 4, 5 and 6 which are in the file in each homework folder.

*Please ensure book bags are brought in every day for letters.*

## Maths

We will be learning to:

- Multiply and divide by 6,7,9,11 and 12
- Divide with a remainder
- Solve word problems
- Multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers

## French

We will continue to learn the names for various animals and we will also learn vocabulary for Christmas and how to ask the question, what is it?

## Art

We will be developing our sewing skills by making felt Christmas decorations.

## Diary Dates:

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November**, Festival of Remembrance, St Peter and Paul's Church, 7pm; Cenotaph Procession on Sunday

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November**, PTFA Meeting, 6.30pm

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November**, Y2 & Y4 Class Mass in Church - all welcome, 9.40am

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November**, Non-uniform Day for Chocolate

**Thursday 22<sup>rd</sup> November**, Open Afternoon (including prospective parents) 2pm and 6.30pm

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December**, Christmas Fair, 11am-1pm

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**, Joint Advent Service for Rishton Schools at St Peter and St Paul's Church. 6.30pm

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December** 10am, Peter Pan Pantomime at Thwaites Theatre, Blackburn

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, School Mass, 9.15am & then Christmas Lunch

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December**, KS1 Nativity 2pm & 6.30pm

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**, Carol Service, 2pm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**, Band at Morrison's Blackburn

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**, 9.15am End of Term Mass, Christmas Parties and Christmas Jumper Day. School closes 3.30pm

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January** School re-opens