

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 5 SUMMER 1 2018

English

This half term our main focus will be novels and significant authors. We will be exploring the works of Michael Morpurgo and examine the similarities and differences between his novels. We will then move on to instruction writing, making links to our Food Technology work on healthy eating. Poetry will be our next focus, where we will compare poems from two contrasting poets and attempt to develop our own poetic style.

Computing

This half term we will be learning how to use iMovie - a video editing software application. Children will learn how to take photos and videos, edit them, add titles, themes, music and special effects. We will link this to our D&T work by filming a recipe being made.

Design and Technology

D&T is our main topic this half term and our focus will be Food. This will link to our class topic - Healthy Living. We will cover the following areas: preparation of ingredients, equipment, cooking techniques, storing food hygienically and healthy eating. We will use these skills to prepare some healthy and delicious treats!

History

This half term we will carry out a local area study linked to World War 1. We will research names on the Rishton Cenotaph and find out about life for the soldiers from Rishton during World War 1. If you have any information which could help with our research, please let us know.

Science

This half term our topic is Earth and Space. We will look at the relationship between the earth, the sun and the moon and how this affects our daily lives. We will also investigate the planets and the solar system.

RE & PSHE

Transformation is our first RE topic this half term. We will examine how people can be transformed and focus on some key figures from the Bible who experienced transformation. We will then move onto the topic of Freedom and Responsibility and ask what we can do to serve God as citizens of His earth.

Home Learning

Children should read independently for at least 20 minutes daily. Please help develop their comprehension skills by asking them questions on what they have read. Books taken home must be returned each day as they may be used in Guided Reading sessions.

Children will have a Times Tables test ('The Box') each week and need to return their practice sheet every Thursday. Sets of spellings will be sent home throughout the half-term. These need to be practised every day and children will be tested randomly on them during the half-term.

Topic home learning will be sent out on Monday 23rd April. It should be returned to school by Monday 21st May.

Maths

We will begin by learning about decimals. We will develop our understanding of what tenths, hundredths and thousandths are before learning how to use this knowledge to compare and order decimals. We will then learn how to add and subtract decimals. Once we have understood what decimals are, we will learn about percentages and how we can use our knowledge of Fractions and Decimals to calculate percentages. Finally we will learn how to measure, draw and investigate different types of angles.

French

This half term we will be focussing on our speaking and listening skills, using a range of authentic songs and rhymes to help us become immersed in the French language.

PE

PE will be on Tuesdays and Fridays. On Tuesdays we will be playing tennis with Mr Slater and on Fridays we will be taking part in a Move and Learn project with Accrington Stanley FC. *Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings removed on PE days. Please could you also ensure your child has a pair of trainers in school on PE days. Thank you.*

Diary Dates

April 20th - 3.30pm - PTFA meeting - staff room
April 25th - Year 5 Class Mass
April 27th - 11.30 School Council meeting
May 4th - Growing up talk - more information to follow
May 7th - May Day, school closed
May 10th - 11am Mass (Ascension Day)
May 10th - 6.30 - Governors' Meeting
May 13th - 10am Family Mass
May 14th - Y6 SATs week
May 17th - Royal Wedding Lunch
May 25th School Closes 3.30pm

School reopens Monday June 4th 8.55am
June 5th - Class Photos
June 15th - 6pm - School Barbeque