

ST CHARLES CURRICULUM INFORMATION - YEAR 6 SUMMER 1 2018

English

In English this half term we will be completing a unit of work on David Walliams' *Gangsta Granny*. We will examine how Walliams' use of language has an effect on the reader and work on our inference technique. We will write discussion texts and diary entries based on the book. We will also be doing lots of Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar revision and plenty of Reading practice.

Science - Exercise, Health and the Circulatory System

Children will learn to identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will explore the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way bodies function and describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.

Geography

In Geography this half term we will be refining our map skills. We will use the Digimap software to examine maps in greater detail and study a wide range of mapping techniques.

Art

We will link our Art work to Geography this half term, using collage to create a whole class map.

Maths

This half term we will be revising all of the Maths topics covered this year so that we are fully prepared for our SATs tests. We will focus especially on Arithmetic to ensure that we can quickly and accurately solve calculations. We will also do lots of Reasoning practice, working on choosing the most efficient methods for solving word problems.

Year 6 Home Learning

In order that children are fully prepared for their SATs tests in May, they will continue to receive **Maths and English homework** on a regular basis this half term. The tasks set will build on the work the children have completed in school and will further support and develop their understanding. Children will write down when the homework is due in. Please ensure that you enable your child the time to complete their homework and return it to school. To free up more time, there will be no topic homework sent out this half-term for Year 6 children.

As always, please encourage your child to **read** as often as possible as this will benefit their fluency in writing.

Please also ensure children are working through the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 **spelling lists** as often as possible and aim to learn all the words by the end of the year.

Finally, short bursts of times tables practice (up to 12) will aid children's speed and accuracy when solving calculations in Maths.

Religious Education

We will conclude our work on Lent/Easter and the Eucharist before investigating the work of the Apostles with reference to Pentecost and the Holy Spirit.

P.E.

This half-term, PE will be on Tuesdays (Athletics) and Wednesdays (Tennis). Please remember to remove earrings and tie hair back on PE days and ensure that a **full PE kit** is in school until half-term.

Diary Dates:

April 20th - 3.30pm - PTFA meeting - staff room
April 27th - 11.30 School Council meeting
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 and reopens Monday June 4th 8.55am
June 5th - Class Photos
June 15th - 6pm - School Barbecue