

Saint Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

Kinder Pentecost 2 Newsletter

Welcome back after half term. We hope you all had a lovely break.

We have a busy term ahead and are looking forward to sharing our new topics with the children. We can't believe we are beginning our final term of the year!

This year has flown and we have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know and teaching the children.

Literacy

Children will continue to follow the Little Wandle scheme for phonics and reading; exploring a new book each Monday—Wednesday which will be sent home every Wednesday to share at home. The children will be learning to read words ending in ing, ed and est. Children will be 'chunking' as they decode longer words. Our focus for literacy this half term is 'Transport' and 'The Seaside'. We will be learning about different types of transport and how we travel to different destinations. The children will be writing independently and using their phonics skills to spell, whilst learning about the world around us.

Writing

Within our literacy topic there will be opportunities to

write for different purposes. The children will be writing travel tickets, post cards and creating maps. The children have a daily letter formation and spelling practice lesson within phonics.

Numeracy

In numeracy the children will continue to follow the White Rose Maths scheme, taking part in daily carpet sessions and independent activities in our continuous provision.

Areas to be taught include:

- -How many now? adding more
- -Manipulate, compose and decompose working with shapes
- -Sharing and grouping
- -Visualise, build and map using pattern and position

Mathematical concepts will be explored in our continuous provision, where children will build on their knowledge of place value to 20. Children will have daily practice of number formation, addition and subtraction.





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<u>Topic</u>

Our topics this half term is 'Transport' and 'The Seaside'. These topics lend themselves well to cross-curricular teaching and the children will be exploring the world around us. Our role play area will become a bus, a travel agents and an ice cream parlour, where children can use their imagination and new vocabulary.

From an 'Understanding the World' perspective, children will learn about different modes of transport, how we travel to different destinations and seaside locations. The children will use maps to find different places and explore seaside locations with Barnaby Bear. We will look at how transport has changed over the years.

RE

In this unit, we will be exploring Christianity and other faiths around the world. We will be learning about friends of Jesus, such as St Peter and St Paul. We will enjoy learning about the Jewish faith and Jewish Festivals.

We will explore these ideas through trying new foods, stories, art and discussion.

PE

PE will continue to take place every Wednesday and your child should come to school in their school PE kit and trainers. This half term focuses on fundamental skills and games. Look out for information about our 'Sports Day'. Kinder Class are happy to have extra sessions of Forest School. These will continue on Thursdays.

Home school Diary

Please continue to write in your child's homeschool diary, it is important that your child reads at least 3 times a week and practices their sounds. The progress every child in Kinder has made is amazing and we thank you for all the support they receive at home.

Dates for your diary:

- Forest School on Thursdays, for the remainder of the term
- Wednesday 11th June PTFA meeting 3:30pm
- Thursday 19th June Book Fair
- Thursday 24th June St John the Baptist (red) house, non-uniform day
- Wednesday 2nd July Transition morning
- Thursday 3rd July Blackpool Zoo
- Saturday 5th July Parish Garden