

Be the BEST You Can Be

Class 6 Newsletter

Term 4 2024

Whatever you do, do with all your heart. Colossians 3:23

Have a lovely half term!

I hope you all have a wonderful rest over half term. As we are approaching term 4, we will be continuing with revision lessons for the Key Stage 2 SATs in May.

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What we are learning

This term we will be writing our own stories using the text 'Adventure at Sandy Cove', a Talk 4 Writing story. We will also be continuing with comprehension of texts and learning different spelling patterns, punctuation and grammar in revision for SATs.

Our class text this term will be 'The Last Wild' by Piers Torday. It is set in the future and follows a boy called Kester who is able to communicate with animals and journeys to save them from a deadly disease.

In science, we will be looking at the topic of electricity, which will help us to create circuits and develop our knowledge of symbols used as well as investigate the brightness of bulbs and volume of buzzers with the number of cells in the circuit.

In DT we will be exploring mechanical systems and will be designing and making a vehicle with gears or pulleys for our buddies to try out!

In maths, we will be learning about decimals and percentages and also finding the area, perimeter and volume of shapes. We will be continuing to practise our times tables and use the inverse to apply to problem solving questions.

In ICT we will be looking at text adventures, creating our own digital adventure journeys which can be played by our peers.

In RE, we will be learning about the enquiry question: What difference does the resurrection make to Christians? The children will be continuing to develop respect and inquisitiveness of other faiths and traditions. Our school value this term is Respect and we will be discussing this in whole school and key stage worships.

In PE, our unit will be gymnastics – we will be learning how to use variations in level, direction and pathway, and how to combine and link actions on apparatus when developing sequences. We will also be developing performance skills and working collaboratively in larger groups.

In French, we will be continuing to practise our skills of speaking and listening and developing our vocabulary around the topic of the weather.



SATs

What are the SATs?

SATs are tests administered by primary schools in England to children in Year 2 and Year 6 to gauge their educational progress. In Year 6, SATs are a more formal process of testing, and children will sit KS2 SATs 2024 in:

- English Reading
- English Grammar
- Punctuation
- Spelling
- Maths

They will also be assessed by their teachers on subjects including speaking and listening, writing and science. The KS2 SATs begin on the week commencing 13th May 2024.

When do the KS2 SATs results 2024 come out?

For Key Stage 2 children, SATs results day is some time in the first two weeks of July.

How can you help?

- ✓ First and foremost, support and reassure your child that there is nothing to worry about and that they should always just try their best. Praise and encourage!
- ✓ Ensure your child has the best possible attendance at school.
- ✓ Support your child with any homework tasks.
- ✓ Reading, spelling and arithmetic (e.g. times tables) are always good to practise.
- ✓ Talk to your child about what they have learnt at school and what book(s) they are reading (the character, the plot, their opinion).
- ✓ Make sure your child has a good sleep and healthy breakfast every day!

You can find more information at: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/key-stage-1-and-key-stage-2-test-</u> dates or alternatively, come and chat to me.

SATs Survival Club

To help with homework, there will be a Year 6 SAT's survival club after school each Monday. If your child would like to come along and complete their homework at school then they are very welcome to. Also, if you would like any extra work or additional support, please let me know.

Homework for the term

Choose an area of Maya life to research: (homes, food, religion, cities, or anything else Mayan!) and create a poster, PowerPoint or model to demonstrate your research.

...and finally

As ever, if you have any worries or questions relating to your child please do not hesitate to contact me. This might be through email or Class Dojo.

lgolden@stmaryswrithlington.co.uk May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Miss Golden