

# Class 6 Newsletter

# Term 2 2024

## Term 2!

Class 6 have settled in to school life well and our first term together was a busy but fun one! They have all been fantastic buddies and have represented the school so well on our many trips!

I hope you all have a lovely break over the half term. Next term is going to be another exciting one with our new topic as well as getting ready for Christmas.



## What we are learning

Our topic this term is 'Scandinavian Splendour'. We will be locating Scandinavia's countries and major cities using a world map and finding out about their climate and the human and physical geography of the region. In English, we will be developing our descriptive writing and building on our grammar and punctuation knowledge through writing stories. We will also be writing persuasive pieces based on the text 'Don't go out after dark.'

In Maths we will be continuing with our topic of division, this term focusing on long division. Then we will be moving on to looking at the order of operations and then fractions.

In Music, we will be continuing with our ukulele lessons and look forward to sharing the songs we've learnt in a performance. We will also be listening and appraising music and learning about the notes for writing music.

In Design Technology, we will be learning to sew to create a small bag in preparation for Christmas.

We will be learning about Evolution and Inheritance in Science. This will involve planning investigations, taking measurements and recording data and using scientific evidence to support ideas.

In RE we be answering our enquiry question: 'How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother?' The children will be continuing to develop respect and inquisitiveness through their continuing enquiry and exploration in RE. Our school value this term is compassion and we will be discussing this a lot in our worships. I have been really impressed with how well the class have been demonstrating our school values.

In Computing we will be continuing with our unit on coding – applying our knowledge to create short computer games, and then developing our knowledge of spreadsheets to gather and record information.

In PE, we will be continuing with our swimming sessions on Wednesdays – it is such an important skill to learn and the class are working hard to focus on perfecting their technique of different strokes.

## Homework

For this term's homework project, you can choose to either: research traditional Scandinavian dishes, such as Swedish meatballs, Finnish rye bread, or Norwegian salmon. You could compile a cookbook which includes images, recipes, and interesting facts about the food's cultural significance.

## OR

Imagine you are travel agents - create a colourful travel brochure for a Scandinavian country of your choice. The brochure should include information about attractions, local customs, transport, and accommodation options. This can be done digitally or in a handmade format.

Over the term I will be continuing to send out a piece of maths or English (reading, writing or punctuation and grammar) each week on a Friday, due in the following Friday. Spellings will be taught on a Monday for a test on the Friday of that week.

I was so impressed by the quality of the homework which as brought in last term, and the presentations which the class delivered were fantastic – such a celebration of their passions, as well as a wonderful display of their oracy skills.

## Reading and Times Tables

Reading is a fantastic way to develop vocabulary and will help your child immensely in their learning. It's been wonderful to see the children engaging with books, especially after their learning with the author Stewart Foster and hearing Kathering Rundell speak last term.

This term our class book is: 'A Star-Spun Web' by Sinead O'Hart – a story of time travel and a thrilling tale of adventure.



In maths, many of the children have commented that the area of learning they need to practise is their times tables for solving problems. Please help your child to practise their tables at home – this will help them with so many areas of maths. All pupils have a login to TTRS in the front of their reading record. If you have lost it, please let me know and I will send another one home.

## ...and finally

As ever, if you have any worries or questions relating to your child and need a little more time, please do not hesitate to arrange a time to talk. It is important for us all that your children are happy at school, so please keep us informed of any concerns, no matter how small. You can contact me via email: [lgolden@stmaryswrithlington.co.uk](mailto:lgolden@stmaryswrithlington.co.uk)  
May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Miss Golden

## Winter Weather

Now the weather is getting a lot colder, please ensure your child comes to school every day with a warm, waterproof coat (Which is named). It's really important that when they come to school in PE kit, they also have a waterproof coat with them. We are trying to take advantage of our amazing grounds in all weather!