



# St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

## St Mary Magdalene Newsletter

Class	St Mary Magdalene	Term	Spring	Year	2018-2019
Teacher	Mr P Crossley <u>Parents' Consultation Evening</u> <u>Thursday 14th February</u>			Useful Websites	<a href="http://www.mymaths.co.uk">www.mymaths.co.uk</a> <a href="https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student">https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student</a> <a href="http://www.schoolslinks.co.uk">www.schoolslinks.co.uk</a> (replacement spelling lists)


The Curriculum Map shows the main areas of learning that your child will undertake during the forthcoming term.  
The Class Timetable will enable you to talk to your child about their school day!!

Through our RE lessons this term the children will cover the following areas. Our school masses at 9.10, and Weekend masses at 10.00 <u>St Mary Magdalene Assembly</u> <u>Friday 29th March</u>	Our topics will be: <u>Christmas, We Listen to God's Word at Mass, Lent, and Holy Week</u> Within RE lessons, <u>Christmas</u> sees us study the role of the crib in the story of Christmas. In <u>Listening to God's Word at Mass</u> we examine how holy people have listened and acted, as well as which parts of the Eucharist, specifically the Liturgy of the Word, we can listen to what God wants us to do. In <u>Lent</u> , through the life and teaching of Christ, they will learn about prayer, fasting and almsgiving, as well as how Jesus changed the lives of men and women through his actions and teachings. In <u>Holy Week</u> the children will learn about the events leading up to the Crucifixion, and to reflect upon the circumstances and reasons for his death.
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	Literacy	Numeracy
	We have a Literacy lesson each day, in which your child will take part in both reading and writing activities and will gain experience of a selection of different text types and writing styles. Each week the children will take part in a guided reading group where they will practise a variety of reading skills. They will also have opportunities to read independently at certain times, so will therefore need to remember to bring their books to school daily. However, it is still very important that they have the opportunity to take part in <u>reading activities outside school</u> , and I stress the importance of your child reading as often as possible at home – this does not always have to be their school reading book. Please can children regularly record <u>their responses</u> to their reading in Reading Record Books. Reviews are also to be completed in here. They are to be handed in to Mr C's desk for checking on Monday, Wednesday or Friday. We practise spellings, punctuation, grammar and handwriting each morning at 8.4-5, so it is important your child is on time and can start learning at the earliest opportunity. The Homework booklet reinforces Reading and Grammar/Punctuation work each week.	As well as taking part in daily Numeracy lesson covering all areas of Mathematics, your child will also have to practise Arithmetic, in which they will be taught to develop their calculation speed, accuracy and knowledge of successful strategies. Furthermore, KIRFS are shared with Parents each term, consequently there will be a weekly KIRFS test timetabled. Your child will be set homework via the MyMaths website – this fantastic resource will guide your child as well as testing their understanding and has the facility to use the screens we use in class to teach concepts to help to reinforce their school work at home. I ask that you encourage your child to do this often as possible. If you currently do not have Internet access at home, your child will be given the opportunity to complete homework within school time. MyMaths can be accessed on IOS and Android tablets via the Puffin Academy App Finally, a reminder that you can help your child in Maths, but we recommend children learn resilience – they should be able to look for solutions on their own using their existing knowledge/skills. It is a good idea to test your child's tables/KIRF objective at home in preparation for the test.

This is what we will be teaching through our Foundation Subjects	<p><u>Science</u> : During Science lessons this term we will be covering 'Forces and Magnets' and 'States of Matter'. You may wish to visit the library to find books related to these topics or encourage your child to access the following website: <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/Investigation_Skills">http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/Investigation_Skills</a> – These are key skills that allow the Children to predict outcomes, plan fair tests, observe and record results, present their results using Maths skills, and explain them in a clear and technically accurate way.</p> <p><u>ICT: Digital Programmer (Intro to Programming) &amp; Digital Artist</u> <u>P.E. : Gymnastics – Receiving Body Weight / Dance – Bhangra (Friday)</u> <u>Games</u> – Instead of Games there will be Swimming for Year 4 this term (Spring) every Wednesday <u>Geography</u> : 'Britain on a map' – locational knowledge of the British Isles <u>Art – Journeys</u>     <u>D&amp;T : Designing and Making Torches</u> <u>Music</u> – <u>Learning to play the Fife</u> – Concert on Thursday 24/01 at 9.15 a.m. <u>MFL</u> : Continue making advances with the <u>German language</u></p>
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Class Timetable St Mary Magdalene Spring Term 2019

	9:00/10:00	10:00/11:00	11:00/11:15	11:15-12:15	12:15/1:10	1:10/2:10	2:10/3:10
Mon	Maths	Literacy	 BREAK  MORNING	R.E. (inc. Class Assembly)	LUNCH	Geography	MFL (With Mrs Bradbury)
Tues	Maths	Literacy		RE		Guided Reading	Games / Science
Wed	Maths	Literacy		ICT (with Mrs Heath)		KS2 Assembly / Spelling & KIRF Test	RE / Swimming
Thurs	Music Instrumental Tuition from Wolverhampton Music Service	Maths		Literacy		Science	RE
Fri	Assembly / Handwriting	Literacy		Maths		Art / D&T	PE

Please Remember

Dinner money	Cashless Payments on Monday (clearly labelled please) – to be placed in plastic wallet on Teacher's Desk
P.E. Kit	In school for Tuesday (Games) OR Swimming Kit for Wednesdays, and Friday (P.E.)
To read at home	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Library Books	One Guided Reading session each week on Tuesday (fiction & Non-Fiction) Please hand Reading Records into class box as frequently as possible
Homework	Set on Fri p.m. – completed by Wednesday a.m. Written into Homework Booklet (kept in plastic wallet) MyMaths will be given as a weekly homework, and can always be used at home at any time. Please use Puffin Academy if your tablet does not have 'Flash' <u>Times Tables Rockstars can be used / practised at any time – app available for tablet / mobile phone.</u>
Spellings (see Spring Term Journal)	Thursday to learn, tested on following Wednesday afternoon
Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRF) Test	Mega-Spella-Test-Athon at end of term These will be tested in class on Wednesday afternoon along with Spellings.

Many thanks for your co-operation. If you have any queries regarding this information, then please speak to Mr Crossley at any time.

We will have a chance to meet and discuss the progress of your child on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February at the Consultation Evening.

*Mission Statement.*

*Let your words teach and your actions speak.*