

# St John Bosco Newsletter Summer 2019

Dates for your diary

Summer 2019

I can't believe we are in the final term of the year. There will be lots of interesting events happening over the summer which we hope the children will enjoy. We thank you for your continued support in enabling children to get the best from their learning experiences.  
Mr Hughes

<b>SATS</b>	7th-10th May
<b>Assembly</b>	17th May
<b>Half Term</b>	27th-31st May
<b>Sports Day</b>	2nd July
<b>Break up for end of year</b>	20th July 2:10pm

## Reading

Please enable your child to bring in their reading book every day and put it in the basket in the classroom. The children will also have lots of opportunities to read and enjoy books throughout the week at school. A good way to help at home is to listen to your child read every night, for at least 10 minutes. It is vital that your child reads focusing on fluency, accuracy and expression. Can you please question their understanding of what they've read.

Please sign and comment in their diaries in order for them to be changed.

## Literacy

**Writing:** We are continuing to develop our writing using all four sentence types. (statement, command, exclamation and question)

We are also adding detail to our sentences using adjectives and adverbs.

We will be using a range of suffixes including -(ment, -ful, -est)

We will also focus on using a full range of punctuation including commas, question marks, exclamation marks, and the two types of apostrophes.

It is really important for children to continue to develop their joined handwriting. Please practise this at home using their spellings.

**Spellings:** Children will be given weekly spellings which will be tested every Friday.

## Maths:

We are continuing to focus on our 2, 5 and 10 Times Tables. Please try to encourage your child to use Times Tables Rock Stars. There are related division questions on here to help improve understanding, speed and accuracy.

In maths lessons we will continue looking at money, shape, fractions and time. This will be followed by volume.

We will continue to have weekly Numeracy homework set on Marvellous Me. Your child can complete it and return it to school by the following Friday. If your child is not completing their homework, a message will be sent home to inform you of this.

**MATHS**   
**NO PROBLEM!**

## PE Dates

Indoor PE will be on a **MONDAY** and outdoor games on a **FRIDAY**.

Children will need to wear trainers for games as we will be outside. They can also wear a tracksuit if they would like to in the cold weather.





## Science

As Scientists we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will explore and compare the differences between things that are living, dead, and things that have never been alive and describe the characteristics of living things. We will then identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats, including micro-habitats.



## RE



During RE we will be learning about why we celebrate Easter and learning about Pentecost. After half term we will be exploring how we can follow Jesus and all about the church.

## ART

As artists we will be learning about how to create a portrait. We will learn about Andy Warhol and Pablo Picasso and use their styles in our own drawings and paintings.

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-pablo-picasso>

<https://www.tate.org.uk/kids/explore/who-is/who-andy-warhol>



## DT

As designers we will be looking at winding up mechanisms and how we can use this to create our own designs. We will link this into History to create a drawbridge on a castle.

Please could you bring in any boxes and kitchen roll tubes that you may have at home in order to create our designs.



## History

As historians we will be learning about Kings and Queens. In this topic we will understand the role of the monarch and look at significant Kings and Queens.

At home please investigate our Royal family's family tree e.g. Who is next in line to the throne? Who was the Queen's dad? Where do they live?



## Geography

As Geographers we will be exploring a contrasting non-European island. We will be looking at the physical and human characteristics and comparing them to the British Isles.

Please help your children learn the continents and oceans of the world.

## Computing

Within our computer sessions we will become digital publishers and artists. We will be creating an e-book and a digital presentation. We will be learning to use the equipment safely and being aware of internet safety.

