



St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

St Mary Magdalene Newsletter

Class	St Mary Magdalene	Term	Spring	Year	2019-2020
Teacher	Mr P Crossley <u>Parents' Consultation Evening</u> <u>Thursday 13th February</u>			Useful Websites	https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student www.schoollinks.co.uk (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 Class Assembly Friday 20th March</u>	Our topics will be: <u>Christmas, Jesus, Light of the World, Lent, and Holy Week</u> . Within RE lessons, <u>Christmas</u> sees us study the role of Angels in the story of Christmas – how Christians today are still messengers of Christ's Good News in the World. In <u>Jesus, Light of the World</u> we examine Jesus' Baptism and understand how, through Christ, we take his light on in our own Baptism and Faith Journey. Through symbolism in Baptism and the Transfiguration, we can understand how Jesus' light can illuminate our own lives today. In <u>Lent</u> , through the life and teaching of Christ, we will learn about prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and the forgiveness that God offers to those who believe in him. 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. Class Mass will be on <u>Wednesday 29th January</u> at 9.05 a.m. in Church.
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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. Please can children regularly record <u>their responses</u> to their reading in Reading Record Books. Reviews can be completed in here. They are to be handed in to Mr C in class for checking. We practise spellings, punctuation, grammar and handwriting each morning at 8.45, so it is important your child is on time and can start learning at the earliest opportunity. The Homework booklet reinforces Reading comprehension skills each week.	As well as taking part in daily Numeracy lesson covering all areas of Mathematics, your child will also have to practise Arithmetic and Times Tables, in which they will be need to develop their calculation speed, accuracy and knowledge of successful strategies and recall of Tables. Please encourage your child to do this often as possible. Times Tables Rockstars is an excellent free tool for this. We will set children up with access to app and will publish leaderboards to see who is getting faster at their recall. This is a key skill that is unavoidable – Year 4 is a great time to embrace it. Maths No Problem Homework will be given each week. Two parts will both look back at some questions from the week just passed, as well as including a few questions from the forthcoming week – something to look out for! 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 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 <u>Electricity and Sound</u>. You may wish to visit the library to find books related to these topics or encourage your child to access the following website: http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/Investigation_Skills – 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 Design</u> – Grand Designs (researching, planning and designing digital plans for a house) <u>P.E. Dance – The Explorers / Dance - Hornpipe</u> (Friday) Instead of Games there will be <u>Swimming</u> for Year 4 this term (Spring) <u>every Wednesday</u> <u>History: Roman Empire's impact on Britain / Anglo-Saxons</u> <u>Art – Viewpoints</u> <u>D&T : Photoframes</u> <u>Music – Learning to play Brass (Trombone / Cornet) – Concert on Thursday TBC at 9.15 a.m.</u> <u>MFL</u> : Continue making advances with <u>German</u></p>
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Class Timetable St Mary Magdalene Spring Term 2020

	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	Music (Wolverhampton Music Service Instrumental Tuition)	 BREAK MORNING	Literacy	LUNCH	RE	MFL (With Mrs Bradbury)
Tues	Maths	Literacy		RE		Guided Reading	RE
Wed	Maths	Literacy		ICT (with Mrs Heath)		Games : Swimming Followed by Times Tables work	
Thurs	Maths	Literacy		Science		Science	Foundation
Fri	Assembly / Handwriting	Literacy		Maths		Foundation	PE

Please Remember

Dinner money Desk	Cashless Payments on Monday (clearly labelled please) – to be placed in plastic wallet on Teacher's Desk
P.E. Kit	In school for Friday (P.E.), AND Swimming Kit for Wednesdays
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 on Mondays / Wednesdays / Fridays
Homework	Set on Fri p.m. – completed by Wednesday a.m. Written into Homework Booklet (kept in plastic wallet) MathsNoProblem will be given as a weekly homework, and will use previous / future questions each week. Times Tables Rockstars MUST be used – app available for tablet / mobile phone.
Spellings (see Spring Term Journal)	Thursday to learn, tested on following Wednesday morning Mega-Spella-Test-Athon at end of term
National Y4 Times Table Test (Summer 2020)	There will be regular Times Tables checks during the term, and 'heatmaps', showing children's existing Knowledge, will be shared at Parents' Evenings.

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 13th February at the Consultation Evening.**

Mission Statement.

Let your words teach and your actions speak.