

St Veronica's Newsletter Summer 2018

Dates for your diary

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Welcome back to the final term.
We hope you have had an enjoyable Easter break and are ready to start the busy term ahead. We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned.

Class Assembly	4th May
May Day Bank Holiday	7th May
Phonics check workshop	25th April
INSET Day	4th June
Phonics check week	11th - 15th June

Weekly Routines

Pupils are to bring in their reading book every day, they will get the opportunity to read their book to an adult and then change the books every week.

Reading diaries need to be signed and commented on by an adult in order for them to be changed.

Maths

This term we will be working on the following targets.

- 1 digit & 2 digit numbers to 20, including zero.
- Add and subtract 1 and 2 digit numbers up to and beyond.
- Solve simple addition & division with apparatus & arrays.
- Double and half of numbers to 20.
- Sequence events in order.
- Use language of day, week, month and year.
- Tell time to hour & half past.
- Know the names of common 2D and 3D shapes.
- To look at capacity and volume.

We will also be continuing to learn our number bonds to 20 and count in multiples of 1,2,5 and 10.

Please continue to practise these at home.

Children will be expected to Master these skills across the curriculum .

KIRFS:

- ⇒ Recognise, find and name a half and a Quarter
- ⇒ To tell the time to the hour and half past.

Writing

This term we will be working on the following targets.

- Write clearly demarcated sentences.
- Use 'and' to join ideas.
- Use conjunctions to join sentences (e.g. so, but).
- Use of adjectives and similes in descriptive writing.
- Using the prefix 'un'.
- Evidence of:
- Capital letters.
- Full stops.
- Question marks.
- Exclamation marks.
- Use capital letters for names & personal pronoun 'I'.
- Write clearly sequenced sentences.
- Correct formation of lower case - finishing in right place.
- Correct formation of capital letters.

PE Dates

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

Children will need to wear trainers for games as we will be outside. As it is now getting warmer, children will need to wear shorts and a t-shirt. Please continue to send their tracksuit in for days when the weather is not so lovely.



Homework:

Numeracy and Literacy: We will continue to have weekly homework set which will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. If your child is not completing their homework, you will be informed of this.

Spellings: As part of the children's basic skills they will be expected to learn spellings and be tested weekly. Please try and encourage them to do this independently and then check them before Friday.

Spelling test will be on a **Monday**.



Science

During science this term we will be studying plants. We will be growing seeds and bulbs, naming different parts of plants as well as naming specific plants and trees in our local environment. Making observations of plants, their growth and taking part in lots of fieldwork. You can talk to your child about plants and trees that grow in and around your own home, in preparation for this topic.



RE



When studying the topic of Easter, we will be covering the resurrection of Jesus focusing on when Jesus appeared to his disciples. We will then be looking at Pentecost and Jesus' ascension into heaven. During our Mass topic we will be learning about the different parts of mass. We will finish the year by learning about Jesus' life and how we can follow His good example.

ART

We will be looking at different house designs through the ages, comparing and contrasting styles and materials and using this information to draw and create our own examples using a range of media (including clay). We will be linking this topic with our history topic, The Great Fire of London, so we will be looking specifically at buildings in and around London. If you have visited London and have any pictures you would like to share with us, feel free to send them in with your children. Also, please take the opportunity to explore images with your children and discuss the different types of building.



DI

We will be designing and making a building from the past. We will discuss the different materials used and how the use of these materials has changed over time. Children will be using a range of equipment, safely. They will learn about different construction techniques in order to make structure stable and correct. They will add features appropriate to the Tudor time (timber frame).



History

Within History this term, we will be studying The Great Fire of London. We will be looking at modern and historic London and making comparisons between the two periods of time. We will then be looking in detail at the events which lead up to the fire, how it started, why it spread and how it eventually stopped. We will also look at what changes occurred with the construction of houses as a result of the fire.



<http://www.fireoflondon.org.uk/game/>

On this website you will find lots of interesting information and an interactive game for the children to play.

Geography

Our Geography topic this term is Where in the world is Barnaby Bear, with a focus on London. To start the topic off we will be exploring maps and atlases of the world. Where we will name a variety of different continents, countries and seas. We will also focus on The British Isles, where we will learn the location of the different countries that make it up. We will be learning where London is in the country and looking at the different key locations, different forms of transport and many other facts relating to the capital city.



Computing

As part of our computing program of study we will be looking at becoming digital programmers, where we will learn how to write simple code on 2code. We will be designing and making a game based on the new skills we have learnt.

