



St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

St Mary Magdalene Newsletter

Class	St Mary Magdalene	Term	Autumn	Year	2018-2019
Teacher	Mr P Crossley Parents' Consultation Evening Thursday 25 th October			Useful Websites	www.mymaths.co.uk www.schoolslinks.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. Do try and attend our school masses at 9.10, and Weekend masses at 10.00 St Mary Magdalene Assembly Friday 19th October	Our topics will be Belonging – We Gather as God's Family, Reconciliation, Advent, and Christmas Within RE lessons we will be exploring: Belonging – We Gather as God's Family , where children will explore groups to which they belong, including how we belong through Baptism and Mass. Reconciliation is exploring human choices, the consequences of sin, Christ's teaching on forgiveness and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Advent will explore how Mary and Elizabeth prepared for the Birth of Jesus. Christmas sees the story of the shepherds providing a focus for children to reflect on the birth of Jesus Christ and who he is.
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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 their responses to their reading in Reading Record Books. Reviews are also to be completed in here. They are to be handed in to the box 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 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>Science : During Science lessons this term we will be covering 'Scientists and Inventors' and 'Light' You may wish to visit the library to find books related to these topics or encourage your child to access the following websites: http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/7_8/light_shadows.sh.html</p> <p>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>ICT: Digital Data Handlers – Collecting and Presenting Information / Introduction to Databases P.E. : Gymnastics – Balance (Friday) Games – Net and Wall Games (Tuesday) Art – Investigating Pattern D&T : Moving Monsters Music – Wider Opportunities (with Wolverhampton Music Service) MFL : Continue making advances with German</p>
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Class Timetable St Mary Magdalene Autumn Term 2018

	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	RE	LUNCH	Foundation	MFL (With Mrs Bradbury)
Tues	Maths	Literacy		RE		Guided Reading	Games
Wed	Maths	Literacy		ICT (with Mrs Heath)		KS2 Assembly / Spelling & KIRF Test	RE
Thurs	Maths	Literacy		Music Wider Opportunities Instrumental Tuition (from Nov 2018)		Science	Science
	Assembly / Handwriting	Literacy		Maths		Foundation	PE

Please Remember

Dinner money	Monday (clearly labelled please) – to be placed in plastic wallet on Teacher's Desk
P.E. Kit	In school for Tuesday (Games) and Friday (P.E.)
To read at home	Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Library Books	One Guided Reading session each week on Tuesday (fiction & Non-Fiction) Please hand Reading Records into class box on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
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'
Spellings (see Autumn Term Journal)	Thursday to learn, tested on following Wednesday afternoon Mega-Spella-Test-Athon at end of term
Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRF) Test	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 25th October at the Consultation Evening.

Mission Statement.

Let your words teach and your actions speak.