

St Gregory'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.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Nicholls

Class 27th April

Assembly

May Day
bank holiday 7th May

Phonics
check
workshop 25th April
3:20pm

SATs week 21st May

INSET Day 5th June

Phonics
check week 11th -
15th June

Weekly Routines

Please bring in your reading book every day and put it in the box in the classroom. If it has been signed by a parent it will be changed for a new book.

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.

Reading diaries need to be signed by yourselves in order for them to be changed.

Maths

This term we will be working on the following targets.

- Recall of addition and subtraction facts to 20.
- Addition and subtraction of two two digit numbers using written methods.
- Doubles and halves of numbers to 20
- 2,5,10 times tables
- 2,5, 10 division facts
- 1/2, 1/4 and 1/3 of numbers
- Quarter past, quarter to the hour
- Reading scales

Please continue to practise these at home.

If your child is in year 2 they will be practising reading comprehensions and maths reasoning tests ready for their SATs in May.

Writing and Grammar

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, because).
- Know four word types (nouns, verbs, adverbs and adjectives)
- Know different sentence types (question, statement, exclamation and command)
- Evidence of:
- Capital letters., Full stops., Question marks and 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. They will need to wear a tracksuit in the cold weather and sun hats in the hot weather.



Homework:

Numeracy and Literacy: We will continue to have weekly homework set on **MyMaths** and your child can complete it at home using the password they have been provided with. Sometimes homework will be set on paper. There will also be a half termly math focus sent by MarvellousMe for your child to work on.

Spellings: As part of the childrens basic skills they will be expected to learn spellings and be tested weekly. **This term they will have 20 to learn and I will choose just 10 to write in a sentence to get them ready for the next year.** Please try and encourage them to do this independently and then check them before Friday.



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.



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.



DT

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 a 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.



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.

