

Autumn Term Curriculum For Year 6

Class teachers:

Mrs. McWilliams

St. Elizabeth

Mr. Burns

St. Mary Magdalene

Mrs. Kidd—Science

Mrs. O'Kane—Music

In **Religious Education** we will be

following the 'Come and See'

programme. This term, our topics will be 'Loving', 'Vocation/Commitment' and 'Expectations'. The children will learn about human gifts and qualities, serving the Community and that Advent is the time the Church prepares for and celebrates the coming of Jesus.

In our 'A Journey in Love' curriculum we shall be learning about the wonder of God's love in creating new life. We will also study St. Luke's Gospel in our weekly

assemblies.

In **Maths** we will consolidate and master the children's knowledge of the four rules of number, including whole numbers, fractions/decimals in an arithmetical setting. Pupils will become fluent through varied and frequent practice of complex problems so that they are able to recall and apply their knowledge accurately and with speed.

The concepts of place value, number and number patterns will be reinforced. The children will investigate fractions and their relationship to decimals. They will learn equivalent and mixed fractions and be introduced to their decimal counterparts. We will consider problems of ratio and proportion. The children will read a range of graphical representations of data and prepare bar charts and graphs.

In **English** children will develop confidence when speaking aloud in assemblies and class

presentations. They will also discuss their learning and develop wider skills in spoken language.

In Year 6, we encourage children to read for enjoyment, pleasure as well as for research purposes. Their comprehension skills will be extended to look for inference and deduction in various texts and through cross curricular work. In writing children will write for a variety of purposes, including recounts, poetry and prose. Grammar, punctuation and spelling should be accurate. Legible, joined up handwriting is expected.

In our non-fiction texts we will examine the features of journalistic writing and diaries.

In **Science** we shall be classifying the plant and animal kingdoms through our topics 'Micro-organisms' and 'Animals'.

The children will be introduced to another group of organisms called 'Micro-organisms'. They will also extend their learning of the workings of the human body: heart rate and diet, smoking, alcohol and drug misuse. (Mrs. Kidd)

Our topic in **Computing** will be E-safety. The children will be made aware of safe and appropriate behaviour to implement when accessing websites, e-mail and social networks.

The **History** and **Geography** curriculum will be incorporated through cross curricular poetry and topic work, including World War 1.

In **Art/D&T** we will be investigating the life

and work of Clarice Cliff. The children will also be producing additional art work relating to poetry and our topic work.

In **French** children will learn the names of common items of clothing. They will revise body parts and be able to say what someone is wearing.

In **Music** the children will be investigating music inspired by Space, introduced to the pentatonic scale, play games to develop aural awareness and learning and performing Christmas songs. (Mrs O'Kane)

In **P.E./Games** we will be playing a range of invasion and team games with an emphasis on gamesmanship and teamwork. The team games will include handball, netball, tag-rugby and football.

Some useful information:

P.E.

Your child will need a full school P.E. kit, including a spare pair of socks, trainers for outdoor wear and plimsolls for indoor wear. This term they will need warm weather sports clothing, e.g. a tracksuit and/or fleece top.

P.E. kits must be clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

Please note: Children must be provided with a school P.E. kit. Alternative colours and/or

football team kits are not to be worn.

Reading

At School- Children will have the opportunity to read for pleasure on a daily basis. They may read a suitable book from home, a local library, or use a school library book.

At Home- Your child will be expected to read for at least 15 minutes each night. Please

encourage your child to read in a quiet

environment, and when possible listen to them once a week.

Homework

Your child will receive a Maths and Grammar homework once a week to consolidate the work done in class. Some research work based on our

topics may be given.

Mrs Kidd will also hand out regular Science

homework.

Important Dates

13th September...Yr6 Information Meeting 3.10 p.m.

17th September...11+ Test Day (Secondary Schools)

22nd September...School Cross Country (School Field)

28th September...Book Fair (Session 1 - School Hall)

30th September...Indian Summer Evening (6-8 p.m.)

3rd October...Book Fair (Session 2 - School Hall)

14th October...Year 6 Girls to St. Bernard's

19th October...Individual Child Photos

18th & 20th October...Parent Consultation

24th - 28th October...Half Term

16th November...Flu Immunisations

19th December...Christmas Dinner (TBC)

21st December...Term Ends 1.30pm

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Whole school key words

Politeness

Punctuality

Presentation

Perseverance

Prayerfulness