



Year 2

Summer Term Newsletter

Dear Parents

A warm welcome back and I hope you had an enjoyable Easter. We are very happy to have welcomed back Miss Gallagher, who will be working with us until the end of the school year.

Please find below some information about Year 2 and some things we will be doing during the Summer Term.

KS1 SATs:

These will be taking place throughout May. Please ensure your child is in school during this period.

School Uniform

Please ensure children wear correct school uniform and that all of their **uniform is named**.

P.E.

P.E. will be on **Tuesday** afternoons, so please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school on this day. The P.E. kit uniform is listed in your child's organiser. **Please ensure all P.E. kit is named**.

Reading at school – Children will read daily in their English lessons. In addition to this, they will read in group sessions, and on a one-to-one basis as necessary.

Summer Term Curriculum

Our topic for the first half term is Fighting Fit, in which we will focus on animals, including humans. We will be learning about animals and their young, life-cycles and how to stay fit and healthy.

After half-term, our topic will be The Farm Shop, in which we will be learning about what plants need in order to grow, and the things we need to eat to be healthy. We will be creating and eating a healthy meal to show what we have learned.

R.E. Curriculum

There are three topics for the Summer Term:

Spread the Word: In this topic the children will explore different ways we send messages.

They will learn about the story of Pentecost and how the disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit. They will also complete work on Jesus' ascension into heaven.

Big Question: Why should we spread good news?

Thanksgiving: In this topic we will be thinking about the things that we are thankful for. We will be learning about Mass and how the parish family give thanks to God for Jesus in Holy Communion.

Big Question: Why should we be grateful?

Signs and Symbols: In this topic we will look at the power of symbols to convey meaning. We will look at religious words and phrases to describe some actions and symbols used in baptism and describe some ways in which Christians live as followers of the light of Christ.

Big Question: Are signs and symbols important?



Homework:

It is important for you to support your child with their homework and reading, but also encouraging them to do as much as possible by themselves – for example asking the children to read the questions themselves rather than reading the questions to them. Homework will mostly be communicated via Class Dojo. **Please ensure that you have signed up to your child's Class Dojo.**

Children will be given a login for Times Table Rockstars, where they can practice their times table facts. The login details for your child is in the front of their organiser.



Reading books:

It is important that children read daily at home for 10-15 minutes. Children will be given one scheme book each week chosen by their teacher. In addition to this, children will be choosing some books from the KS1 library to bring home each week. These books are for you to share together and can be read either by your child or to your child. This is to support with children's reading enjoyment and to support with building vocabulary. Books will be changed on your child's book changing day which is recorded in their reading organisers.

Reading organisers must be brought into class every day, even if your child hasn't read, as these are monitored daily.

Spellings:

Spellings will be given weekly and tests will be on Mondays. Please support your child with learning their spellings each week.

Water Bottles

Children have water bottles in class. Bottles must only contain water, not juice.

I hope this newsletter has given you a useful insight into some of the activities that will be taking place this term. If you have any questions regarding your child's learning or have any other queries or concerns during the term, please do not hesitate to speak to myself **after school**, or by prior appointment via the office. Non-urgent messages can be sent via Class Dojo (please remember that this may not be checked every day). Any urgent messages can be communicated via the school office.

Mrs Monk