




Year 4 Newsletter

Autumn 2 2022



Core text(s) for English	The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
Focus areas for English/outcomes	Writing in role, information text - newspaper article, letter of persuasion - opinion and debate.
Grammar focus	Organising content in paragraphs, sequence ideas logically, creating complex sentences using conjunctions and varying length of sentences for impact.
Maths focus areas	Fractions, decimals, money.
RE focus	Topic: Called. Theme: Belonging. Big question: What does it mean to be called and chosen? Topic: Gift. Theme: Advent/Christmas - loving. Big question: What's so special about gifts?
Faith in Action	<p><u>BBC Children in Need</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Friday 18th November 2022 we will be having a non-uniform day in aid of BBC Children in Need. The theme is Spots, Stripes and Something Bright so wear your favourite colours and brightest outfits bringing along a £1 donation for the cause. We will also be hosting a Pudsey Cake Sale on Wednesday 16th November 2022. Home baked donations with a Pudsey theme are welcomed and will be sold at the end of the school day. Please ensure all home baked cakes have the ingredients and containers labelled and that they are nut free. We will be sending books to a local hospital. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div data-bbox="740 1472 1089 1612"> </div> <div data-bbox="1114 1472 1401 1612"> </div> </div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>

<p>Foundation subject topics - Science, History, Computing, MFL, Music, Art and PSHE</p>	<p>Science: States of matter and materials. Geography: The Arctic and Antarctic. Computing: debugging, programming. MFL: presenting ourselves. Music: Christmas carols. Art: Arctic/Antarctic Art. Artist focus: Yinka Shonibare PSHE: Health and well-being</p>	
<p>PE days (and kit expectations)</p>	<p>Tuesdays (dance) and Fridays (indoor, gymnastics). Kit expectation is white t-shirt, dark tracksuit bottoms, trainers and St. Joseph's school jumper.</p>	
<p>Any key dates ie special events</p>	<p>Math Week 16th & 17th November Phonic workshops for parents 24th November Children in Need, wear something bright Friday 18th November Parents Evening Tuesday 29th November Parents Evening Thursday 1st December EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 7th December KS2 Nativity Thursday 15th December Christmas dinner, wear Christmas jumper or party clothes 8th December Christmas Fair (After school) 9th December Friday 16th December – Last day of term, finish at 2pm Return to school Wednesday 4th January 2023</p>	
<p>Ways to help at home i.e. regular handwriting practice, practice of specific times tables/number bonds</p>	<p>Please practise times tables at home (we practise throughout the week in class) and spellings (test on Thursdays) for homework. Read every day and make sure the reading record is signed and handed in. Your child has their own username and password for 'Times Tables Rockstars'. It is important that they are able to recall number facts at speed to aid them with their daily maths work. Homework will be given out every Friday and will also be uploaded onto Google Classroom weekly. To log into Google Classroom, use your child's unique username and number followed by <u>@stjosephsgsuite.co.uk</u> and their unique password. Homework must be returned by the following Wednesday.</p>	
		
<p>Mr Spalding</p>	<p>Mrs Bird</p>	<p>Mrs Williams</p>

