



## Spring 1 2023 – Newsletter Year 2 – St Theresa



<b>Core text for English</b>	Throughout this term, the core text we will be focusing on is ‘The Day the Crayon’s Came Back’ and ‘The day the Crayons Came Back’ - Daywalt Drew and Jeffers Oliver
<b>Supplementary texts</b>	‘Sofia Valdez Future Prez’ - Andrea Beaty
<b>English focus</b>	The Day the Crayon Quit/ The day the Crayon Came Back <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Letter from the main character (first person)</li><li>● Short story based on a haunted setting</li></ul>
<b>Phonics focus</b>	This term we will be focusing on revisiting all sounds. Little Wandle and Letter and Sounds <a href="https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk">https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk</a>  Please see the following videos for pronunciation videos: Phase 2 - <a href="https://youtu.be/-ZtjFlvA_fs?rel=0">https://youtu.be/-ZtjFlvA_fs?rel=0</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Phase 3 - <a href="https://youtu.be/qDu3JAjf-U0?rel=0">https://youtu.be/qDu3JAjf-U0?rel=0</a></li></ul>
<b>Maths focus</b>	<b>Geometry: properties of 2D and 3D Shapes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Identify and describe the properties of 2-D shapes, including the number of sides and line symmetry in a vertical line</li><li>● Identify and describe the properties of 3-D shapes, including the number of edges, vertices and faces</li><li>● Identify 2-D shapes on the surface of 3-D shapes, [for example, a circle on a cylinder and a triangle on a pyramid]</li></ul> <b>Money</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Recognise and use symbols for pounds (£) and pence (p)</li><li>● Combine amounts to make a particular value</li><li>● Identify combinations which can be bought for a specific amount of money e.g. what two or more items can I buy for exactly 70p?</li></ul> <b>Multiplication &amp; Division</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers</li><li>● recall multiplication and division facts for 2, 5 and 10 and use them to solve simple problems, demonstrating an understanding of commutativity as necessary</li></ul> Recall and use multiplication and division facts for 2, 5 and 10 and make deductions outside known multiplication facts.
<b>RE focus</b>	<b>Books:</b> The books in used Big Question: Why do we need books?  <b>Eucharist:</b> Relating Big Question: Why should we be grateful people?

<p>Faith in Action</p>	<p><b>Friday 3rd February</b>  The money you raise could help the NSPCC run its Speak out Stay safe programme to know what to do if they're scared or worried, help children understand what abuse is and what to do if they're scared or worried.</p>
<p>Foundation subject topics - geography, science, computing, MFL, Music and PSHE</p>	<p><b>History:</b> Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole  <b>Science:</b> Uses of Everyday Materials  <b>Computing:</b> Exploring how computer games work  <b>PSHE:</b> Health and Wellbeing, keep safe; recognising risk; rules  <b>Art:</b> Marvellous Mountains  <b>Music:</b> Different styles of music composed within Europe.</p>
<p>PE days (and kit expectations)</p>	<p><b>Tuesday &amp; Wednesday</b> - please wear black jogging bottoms/leggings, a white round neck t-shirt and trainers or plimsolls. Please wear your school jumper over the top of your PE kit.</p>
<p>Ways to help at home</p>	<p>Please bring in book bags every day. Books will be changed on <b>Monday</b> and <b>Wednesday</b> with the reading books and signed record book. Please ensure you are reading with your child at home every evening for a minimum of ten minutes. Please log all reading in your child's reading record.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Please bring reading records everyday.</b></p> <p>Activities that you could do at home:</p> <p>Play games that use dice, such as Ludo, monopoly etc. to help develop maths skills. Scrabble is a fun game to play, and helps develop spelling. Reading non-fiction books linked to your child's interests to expand their knowledge.</p> <p>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 followed by <b>@stjosephsgsuite.co.uk</b> and their unique password. Year 2 class is referred to as 'St Teresa of Calcutta' class. Homework must be returned on Wednesdays.</p> <p>It is essential that you practise phonics with your children regularly to continue to develop their reading ability and understanding of language.</p>
<p>Key dates</p>	<p>16<sup>th</sup> January Dr Martin Luther King Day  20<sup>th</sup> January INSET Day – school closed to all pupils  2<sup>nd</sup> February Year 3 trip to Maritime Museum  3<sup>rd</sup> February NSPCC Numbers Day (Maths)</p>
<p>Additional information</p>	<p>I am looking forward to working with you and your child to ensure they have a great learning experience in year 2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If you have any questions, I have put the school support email address below</p> <p><b>School Support:</b> support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</p>

**Year 2 Team**



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