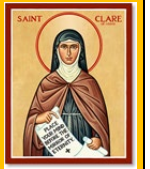





## Spring 2 2023 – Newsletter Year 5 – St Clare of Assisi



Core text for English	The Maker – Short clip	
Supplementary texts	Whole Class Reading Text- The Nowhere Emporium - Ross MacKenzie	
English focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immersion in visual.</li> <li>To write a set of instructions.</li> <li>To create a loop poem.</li> <li>To create a voice over.</li> </ul>	
Grammar focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Verb forms</li> <li>Adverbials</li> <li>Use of colons</li> <li>Pronouns</li> <li>Synonyms</li> <li>Similes</li> <li>Metaphors</li> </ul>	
Maths focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Place values</li> <li>Fractions</li> <li>Decimals and percentages</li> </ul>	
RE focus	<p><b>Mission- local church- community</b> Do we all have a mission in life?</p> <p><b>Memorial sacrifice- Eucharist- relating</b> Why do we need memories?</p>	
Faith in Action		<p>This Lent CAFOD is supporting families with the skills and tools they've asked for to fight the climate crisis. The children of St Joseph's will be doing a sponsored walk to raise money for CAFOD and the 'Big Lent Walk'.</p>
Foundation subject topics - geography, science, computing, MFL, Music and PSHE	<p><b>Geography-</b> Natural resources, trade links and fair trade.  <b>Science</b> – Earth and Space  <b>DT</b> – create a nutritious meal on a budget  <b>Music-</b> diversity in music  <b>PSHCE/RSE</b> – Health and Wellbeing  <b>Physical Education-</b> Basketball and Coach lead on Thursdays.  <b>MFL</b> – Family.</p>	
PE days (and kit expectations)	<p>Your child's PE day will be on <b>Wednesday and Thursday</b>. Your child should wear their PE kit to school, with their school jumper on top. The PE kit should consist of a white t-shirt, navy or black bottoms and plimsols/trainers. The school has to teach the National Curriculum and PE is a vital element of this. Participating regularly in physical activity is important to develop habits for a healthy adult life.</p>	

<p><b>Ways to help at home</b></p>	<p>Please listen to your child read regularly and discuss the text they are reading. As their books become more complex it is even more important they have the chance to discuss them with an adult. Please sign the reading record book and make a comment. Please encourage your child to learn their 'spelling words,' a few minutes practice each day can make a big difference.</p> <p>By Summer Year 5 your child is expected to have mastered their times tables but they need regular practice to retain the information. Your child will have their own account 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. If they are not yet confident this is a vital area to work on with them.</p> <p>Encourage your child to write at home, stories and letters or maybe they could keep a diary. Continue to borrow books of interest from the school and public library to find out all they can on this term's topics. You could also play a range of maths based games, such as Yahtzee or any games that involve using a dice. Discuss the rules and strategies that you use, explaining to your child what you are doing and why.</p>
<p><b>Key dates</b></p>	<p>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March – International Woman's Day.  Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day.  Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March – SEN Coffee Morning.  Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March – British Science Week begins.  Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day.  Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Mother's Day  Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Walk for Lent – Sponsored Walk – Greenwich Park.  Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Bonnet Parade.  Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Unwrapped - CRiBS Easter Play  Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg Hunt  Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March – End of Term</p>
<p><b>Additional information</b></p>	<p>Home work will be given out on Friday and should be given back to be marked by the following Wednesday.  Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning.</p> <p>If you have any questions, the school support email address is below</p> <p><b>School Support:</b> <a href="mailto:support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk">support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</a></p>

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