




Summer 1 2023 – Newsletter Year 2 – St Teresa of Calcutta



<p>Core text for English</p> <p>Supplementary texts</p>	<p>Throughout this term, the core text we will be focusing on is 'The Great Fire of London' by Emma Adams and 'Vlad and the Great Fire of London' by Kate and Sam Cunningham</p> <p>'The Story of the Great Fire of London' 'The Great Fire of London' 'Avoid Being in the Great Fire of London'</p>
<p>English focus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eye witness account (factual and subjective / emotive)• Humorous recount of events from alternative point of view• Conduct key questions for Firefighters in the present• Fire safety leaflet
<p>Phonics focus</p>	<p>This term we will be focusing on revisiting all sounds. Little Wandle and Letter and Sounds https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk</p> <p>Please see the following videos for pronunciation videos:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phase 2 - https://youtu.be/-ZtjFlvA fs?rel=0• Phase 3 - https://youtu.be/qDu3JAjf-U0?rel=0
<p>Maths focus</p>	<p>Place Value:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand the connection between the 10 multiplication table and place value• Describe and extend simple sequences involving counting on or back in different steps• Use place value and number facts to solve problems <p>Addition and Subtraction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive and use related facts up to 100• Add and subtract numbers using concrete objects, pictorial representations, and mentally, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ two two-digit numbers○ adding three one-digit numbers <p>Multiplication and Division</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Derive and use doubles of simple two-digit numbers (numbers in which the ones total less than 10)• Derive and use halves of simple two-digit even numbers (numbers in which the tens are even) <p>Fractions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write simple fractions for example, of 6 = 3 and recognise the equivalence of and• Count on and back in steps of and• Identify 1/4, 1/3, 1/2, 2/4, 3/4 of a number or shape, and know that all parts must be equal• parts of the whole

<p>RE focus</p>	<p>Lent/Easter: Giving The Big Question: How does each day offer opportunities for good?</p> <p>Pentecost: Serving The Big Question: Why should we spread Good News?</p>
<p>Faith in Action</p>	<p>May is a very special month for the Church as we remember Mary, the Mother of Jesus and Mother of us all.</p> <p>A full month is given over to Mary and during this month we are asked to think about Mary, say special prayers to her, have May altars, and sing hymns to Mary to tell her how much we love her and to ask her to help us stay close to her son Jesus and to try to live as Jesus shows us.</p> <p>Click on the link for how to make a may altar for Mary https://www.catholicicing.com/may-altar-for-mary/</p> 
<p>Foundation subject topics</p>	<p>History: The Great Fire of London Science: Living Things and Their Habitats Computing: Communication and Collaboration- We Are Detectives PSHE: Health and Wellbeing- Being Healthy (eating, drinking, playing and sleeping) DT: Habitat Making Music: Mars-Planets Holst (BBC Ten Pieces)</p>
<p>PE days (and kit expectations)</p>	<p>Tuesday & Wednesday - 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 Monday and Wednesday 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>Please bring reading records every day.</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 @stjosephsgsuite.co.uk 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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 27th April Year 4 Trip - The Golden Hinde • Thursday 27th April Year 4 Multiplication Timetable check - Parent's meeting • Monday 1st May Early May Bank Holiday

- Tuesday 2nd May Year 2 Trip to Greenwich Fire Station
- Thursday 4th May School Dinner Summer Menu Tasting
- Thursday 4th May SEN Parents Coffee Morning
- Friday 5th May Kings Coronation Special Menu
- Monday 8th May King's Coronation Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 9th May Year 6 SATS Week
- Thursday 11th May Year 4 - Cycle Confident Training
- Monday 15th May Tea & Talk
- Monday 22nd May Year 1 Trip - National Maritime Museum
- Wednesday 24th May Year 6 Class Assembly
- Friday 26th May Last Day of Term
- Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June Spring Half Term

Additional information

I am looking forward to working with you and your child to ensure they have a great learning experience in year 2.

If you have any questions, I have put the school support email address below

School Support: support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk

Year 2 Team



Miss Francis



Mrs Howard



Mrs Openshaw



Ms Martin