St Nicholas Catholic Primary School

Half-termly Curriculum Newsletter

Class: Kingswear

Spring 1 2024

	Homework	Set on Google Classroom: Homework is posted on Friday and the spelling test will be on the following Friday. Spelling: Spellings for the term will be handed out by the end of the
		week with all the due dates for the half term on there. Each week, the children receive a list of 10 words which will focus on practising new spelling rules and common exception words.
		<u>Maths:</u> Each week your child will be asked to practise their times tables, either on TTRs or by a method of your choice! In addition to this, the children now have their username and password for Power Maths. Please log on using the school code: 7rjl There will be activities linking to current learning on the website!
	Reading for Pleasure	This half term we will be reading 'The Battle of Bubble and Squeak' by Philippa Pearce.
Reading	Reading	Your child has been given a reading diary and a new book. Please support your child to read their book at home. Your child should aim to read each night. If it is a picture book they should read it at least twice, a longer chapter book they can read a chapter a night. Please ensure your child records the pages they have read in their reading diary. When they have finished they should bring it back to school and quiz on it.
	Writing	Our first text this half term is 'The Beasties'. First we will learn the story, then we will change the story together as a class and finally have a go at creating and writing our own stories. Children will be learning to use fronted adverbials, noun phrases and prepositional phrases.
	Maths	Y3: This half term will begin by learning multiplication and division.
		Y4: This half term will begin by learning multiplication and division and then move on to length and perimeter.

	RE	In RE our topic this half term is called 'Galilee to Jerusalem'. We will learn about the ministry of Jesus, what the 'kingdom of God' means and about different parables and miracles!
	Science	This half term's topic is Living things and their habitats. We will be learning about classifying animals into different groups. We will be looking at different habitats and the wider environment.
	Geography	In Geography we will be learning about Rainforests! We will be learning about deforestation, and the rainforests surrounding our continents. We will be using our map skills to locate rainforests and we will also be looking at environmental issues.
	Art	In Art, we will be learning about observational drawings and printing. We will be studying the work of Van Gogh and Nick Morley (aka Linocutboy) We will be making comparisons to different artists including.
PSHE	PSHE	This half-term we will be learning about different jobs and things that influence different jobs and choices, self- confidence and how to respect and look after their bodies.
I O D	PE	In PE this half term, we will be learning benchball and striking/fielding games on <u>Wednesdays</u> and on <u>Thursdays</u> . We will have swimming on <u>Fridays</u> . Please ensure children are appropriately dressed for PE, with the correct clothing and trainers.
	Computing	In computing, our unit is called 'Journey inside a computer'. We will be understanding what the different components of a computer do and how they work together.
	French	This term we will be starting a brand new language! We will be focusing on colours and numbers this half term.
@	Teacher contact:	You can contact your child's class teacher via email or google classrooms. Email addresses are available on the school website. Please note that teachers are teaching from 8.30 am - 3.15 pm. If your contact is urgent please contact the school office <u>admin@stncs.uk</u> during the school day. There is no requirement for a teacher to reply to emails or messages received after 6 pm or at the weekend.