

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

YEAR 6



St Maxentius C.E.
Primary School
Part of Archbishop Temple Trust

ENGLISH

WRITING

This term we will complete a narrative, based on the legend of 'Thor', a balanced argument discussing the use of Palm Oil and its impact on the environment and start to read 'Holes' by Louis Sachar - a wonderful book! We will work hard to apply our ongoing grammar learning and are already improving our handwriting. Keep working with your children at home to encourage them to write as much as you can. All the practice helps!

READING

In addition to the texts mentioned above, the children will continue with daily guided reading sessions in school, as well as being read with by staff. Your child must have their reading book in school every day, and we expect them to be read with at home at least 3 times per week to support their reading development. As well as listening to them read, please ask questions about their reading - particularly inference questions. These are the "How do you know that..." questions.

WELCOME

Please take a look at our curriculum newsletter to see what we will be learning about this autumn term, and more importantly how you can support your child.

MATHS

In Spring Term, we will begin our step-up in preparations for SATs, covering a broad range of units and revisiting previous learning to revise, with more focus on reasoning and problem solving. It is important that the children have the opportunity to practice and revise whilst preparing for their SATs, but not to be overloaded so they do not become overly tired and worried about them.



R.E.

This term will cover two question based units:

Spring 1 - Why do Hindus want to be good?

Spring 2 - What do Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people?

During these units children will be exploring the religion, its impact on people and make connections to their own way of life.

Science

This term, the children will learn all about Electricity in their Spring 1 unit with Miss Longworth. In Spring 2 the children's unit of work will be Evolution and Inheritance, which will include learning about the work of Charles Darwin. Both of these units will build on previous learning from lower down school, whilst developing new knowledge and skills.

LEARNING IN OTHER CURRICULUM SUBJECTS

HISTORY

This term we will learn about Ancient Egypt. The children will learn about Egyptian Gods and beliefs, mummification, the building of the pyramids and much more!

MUSIC

Music with Miss Longworth will see the children learn about the music of Benjamin Britten and continuing to develop their musical skills.

COMPUTING

With Miss Longworth, the children will learn in detail about computer science, using Scratch and developing their coding skills.

ART

With Miss Longworth, the children will think about their own identities and develop pieces of art based on who they are.

PE

With Mr Cayton, the children will learn Dance in Spring 1, continuing to develop their movement and teamwork skills.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the children's learning.

Mr Bracegirdle