



St Charles RC
Primary School



Year 2 Newsletter
Autumn 2023

Welcome

Welcome back to the Summer term, the children have all worked so hard this week, even in this extremely hot weather. I have been so impressed with the children's place value knowledge, letter formation and reading, keep it up everyone!

We would love to invite parents to our class assembly on Thursday 21st September to celebrate the International Day of Peace. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome any volunteer parents or grandparents to help out in school if they can, to hear our children read. If you are interested in volunteering please inform the office staff.

Outdoor learning: Forest school/outdoor learning clothing should be kept in school and will be sent home after use for cleaning/drying. Please ensure that it is sent back into school each Monday.

PE: Lessons take place on a Thursday afternoon. Your child needs to WEAR PE outfit to school: a white T-shirt, navy blue shorts and pumps. Please note no other colours are acceptable. In cold weather, a school jumper can be worn and blue joggers or leggings. And again, please label all items.

Reading books: Please ensure that reading books are sent to school everyday so that we can hear the children read each week. In year 2, the children earn house tokens every time they read so please try and write a comment in your child's reading record so they can be rewarded for reading at home. Also, it is really important that your child reads every night, even if it is only a few pages. Reading regularly helps children to improve not only their reading and writing but also allows them to access all areas of the curriculum.

Homework: Homework will be sent home on Friday each week and should be returned to school the following Wednesday. The sheets to be completed in the homework booklets will be marked with a stamp at the top of the page. Homework will be sent in due course.

Spellings: Moving forward, there will no longer be a weekly spelling test. Instead, teaching spellings will become more integrated into our daily timetable. Spellings may be sent home for your child to learn but they will no longer be tested, please support your child in learning these. They could recite the spelling orally or write the word in a sentence. If your child does not know the meaning of the word, encourage them to look it up in a dictionary or online.

DT Autumn homework - I would like to challenge the children to make a puppet at home, it can be any type of puppet, be creative! Please send these to school before Christmas half term.



Curriculum

RE Focus: Option for the poor and vulnerable

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
RE	Creation and Covenant	Prophecy and Promise
English	Newspaper Report Narrative Formal letter	Recount Diary Poetry
Maths	Place value, addition and subtraction	Addition and subtraction, shape
Science	Animals including humans	Uses of everyday materials
Computing	Information technology around us	Digital painting
Topic	Why does it rain so much in Manchester? (weather)	How can you put the fire out? (GFOL)
Art		Remembrance soldier
Music	Exploring simple patterns	Dynamics and tempo
PE	Gymnastics	Games
D&T	Puppets	

If you have any questions, please ask us after school. Many thanks for all your support and cooperation.

Mrs Coussons and Miss Grange

Autumn diary dates

<u>SEPTEMBER IS THE MONTH OF WELLBEING</u>	<u>OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY AND BLACK HISTORY MONTH</u>	<u>NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS</u>	<u>DECEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ADVENT</u>
<p><u>Week 1</u> Mon 4th Children start school</p> <p><u>Week 2</u> Weds 13th Whole School Welcome Mass (9.15am in school - All welcome)</p> <p><u>Week 3</u> Weds 20th Y6 Prayer service (9.05am in class - All welcome) Thurs 21st Y2 Class Assembly (All welcome) Y4 Go outside residential</p> <p><u>Week 4</u> Weds 27th Y5 Prayer service (9.05am in class - All welcome) Thurs 28th Y3 Class Assembly (All welcome) Fri 29th McMillan Coffee Morning and raffle after assembly</p>	<p><u>Week 5</u> Weds 4th Y4 Prayer service (9.05am in class - All welcome) Thurs 5th Y1 Class Assembly (All welcome) Sun 8th Mass led by Bishop John 2pm</p> <p><u>Week 6</u> Mon 9th Parent Drop in – after school in classrooms Tues 10th Mrs Starkie Day Fri 13th Charity Raffle – The Christie/McMillan</p> <p><u>Week 7</u> COMMUNITY WEEK Weds 18th Mini Vinnie Harvest Assembly (9.05am in hall - All welcome)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HALF TERM 20th OCT – 30th OCT</p>	<p><u>Week 1</u> Mon 30th Children start school Weds 1st Feast of All Souls Mass (9.15am in church - All welcome) Thurs 2nd Y5 Class Assembly (All welcome)</p> <p><u>Week 2</u> Weds 8th Y2 Prayer service (9.05am in class - All welcome) Thurs 9th Y6 Class Assembly (All welcome)</p> <p><u>Week 3</u> Thurs 16th Parents evening – in school Fri 17th Harpers Army charity cake sale and raffle after assembly Sun 19th Whole school Mass at St Charles 11.15am</p> <p><u>Week 4</u> Weds 22nd Y3 Prayer service (9.05am in class - All welcome) Thurs 23rd Y4 Class Assembly (All welcome) Flu Jab Whole school Jolabokafloð celebration</p> <p><u>Week 5</u> Weds 29th Advent Mass (9.15am in school - All welcome) Christmas Markets 3.30pm Thurs 30th Whole school Panto – Treasure Island</p>	<p><u>Week 6</u> Weds 6th Nursery Christmas Show 10am Reception Christmas Show 2pm Thurs 7th Reception Christmas show 10am Nursery Dress show 2pm Fri 8th KS1 Christmas show 2pm</p> <p><u>Week 7</u> Mon 11th KS1 Christmas show 10am Tues 12th KS2 Christmas show 10am Weds 13th Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Thurs 14th KS2 Christmas show 2pm Fri 15th EYFS Party day</p> <p><u>Week 7</u> CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION WEEK Mon 18th KS1 Christmas Party Tues 19th KS2 Christmas Party Weds 20th Christmas carol service (2pm – in church) Thurs 21st Non-uniform day/Toy Day FINISH at 1.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 21st DEC – 8th JAN</p>

Websites

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
<https://www.teachyourmonster.org/>
<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>