

St Francis' Catholic Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter

Year Group and Staff



Year 6

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Teachers: Ms Keaney, Ms. Bernard & Mrs Carter-Darby
Support staff: Ms James & Mrs Zariat

English

This term, the children will be reading 'The Princess' blankets' by Carol Ann Duffy. The children will write poetry inspired by the text using a range of adjectives, similes, metaphors and personification.

There will also be a grammar focus where children will explore and use this in their writing. They will also be researching and writing explanatory texts linked to science and writing reports linked to the Country they are exploring For International Week.



Maths

The children will be using and applying their skills to solve reasoning problems. Algebra will be explored along with properties of and position and movement of shapes. The development of children's arithmetic skills will continue to be a focus.



Science

The children will be investigating their new topic 'Healthy Bodies'. They will explore the circulatory system and learn about the different parts of the human heart. They will then study 'The Titanic', where they will plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables.



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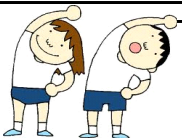
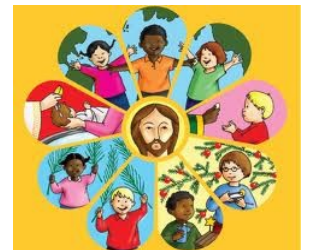
For RE lessons we will continue to use the **Come and See** scheme of work and will be exploring the following themes:

Pentecost: Witnesses—The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

Healing: The Sacrament of the Sick

Ten:Ten: The wonder of God's love in creating new life

Common Good: Work of the worldwide Christian family



PE

Please ensure that your child brings in appropriate PE kit on Mondays and leaves it in school for the week. Lessons will take place on Thursdays.

In their weekly PE lesson the children will be further developing their knowledge and skills in striking and fielding.

Music



Please ensure that your child brings their instrument to school so they may attend their Newham Music instrumental lesson: Monday - Violin
On Tuesday after school, children may attend Music Tech sessions.

The children will also be preparing for their end of year production.

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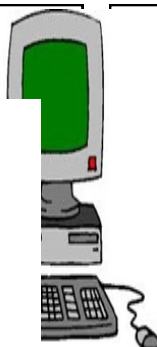


History & Geography

Year 6 will explore 'Numbers Through Time' for their History unit of work, studying how important numbers have been over time and how numbers reveal and reflect changes in our lives. The children will also be exploring St Lucia as part of our International Week celebration. We will be locating the country on a world map and researching its history and geography. They will sample regional cuisine and develop their understanding of the culture.

Computing

The children will be using a program called 'Tinkercad' to explore the concept of 3D modelling by creating a range of 3D shapes that they select and move. Pupils will also be introduced to the micro:bit as an input, process, output device that can be programmed.



PSHE



This term the children will be exploring transition and changes, where they will be focusing on coping successfully with the move to KS3, emphasising the importance of safety and personal independence.

Homework



Children are expected to complete their own homework, however, parents need to check it before it is handed in to confirm that homework is of an acceptable standard.

Homework will continue to be issued on **Fridays** and is due back on **Tuesdays**. If homework has not been completed, returned on time or is not of an **acceptable standard** the children will spend their lunchtime completing the homework.



Reading at home

Please encourage your child to talk with you about the books they are reading. We expect children to continue to read every night for at least 20 minutes and to discuss what they have read with their parents.

It would be helpful if you could listen to your child reading aloud at least once a week and discuss the text with them to develop their fluency and comprehension.

