

Headteacher: Mrs S. Derbyshire

Year 6 - Autumn Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back to school - we are so happy to see how enthusiastically the children have participated in their learning already and cannot wait to see how they flourish in their final year at St Pius X Catholic Primary School. Please find below some key information about the Autumn term and the expectations in Year 6. If you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to speak with Mrs Claxton at the end of the school day, or alternatively email the school office.

Homework

Our expectation at St Pius X Catholic Primary School is that every child should do the following every night:

- 15 minutes reading to themselves or an adult (signed in the reading record).
- 15 minutes practising spellings.
- 15 minutes rehearsing times tables facts on Times Tables Rockstars.

2. <u>Times Tables Rockstars</u>

Last year children worked hard to beat their highest score and improve their ranking. It has been great to see so many children enjoying learning their timetables!

3. SATs Boot Camp

All children have now received login details for <u>SATs Boot Camp</u>, which is an online platform designed to prepare children for their end of key stage assessments and support with their revision of all topics they have covered in maths, reading and grammar. We would strongly encourage all children to work through the topics at home at their own pace, especially to support their learning in anything specific that they have struggled with in class.

4. Spellings

Spellings will be given out on Mondays. The children should practise their words every evening. Spelling books must be brought in on Fridays, which is also when the weekly test happens.

4. PE Lessons

On **Wednesday**, children are expected to come in appropriate PE uniform for their lessons, which will be taking place in the afternoon.

5. Reading Books

As reading is such a priority, we will try to make sure children's books are regularly changed and every child will have an opportunity to read daily in class. Please remind the children to let any adults know if they need to change their book and that it is their responsibility to bring any old reading books back to school.

Please find a list of recommended books here.

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Key Diary Dates

Autumn 1		Autumn 2	
Pupil school photos	Monday 22nd September	Maths stay and learn	Wednesday 5th November 2:45pm
Reading Stay and Learn	Wednesday October 8th (2.45pm)	Year 6 Class Assembly	Thursday 27th November 9am
Year 6 Class Mass	Tuesday 14th October	All Saints Day Mass	Thursday 30th November 9:00am
Parents' Evening 1	Monday 20th October	Advent Mass	Tuesday 2nd December 9.00am
Parents' Evening 2	Wednesday 22nd October	KS2 visit to the Civic theatre pantomime	Wednesday 10th December

6. Curriculum Information

On the following page, we have included a summary of some of the topics the children will be covering this term, so that you can best support your child with their learning at home.

We look forward to the year ahead as the children embark on their final chapter of their primary school career.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Mckie Year 6 Classteacher Assistant Headteacher Mrs Wallace Teacher Higher Level Teaching Assistant



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Autumn Term				
	1st Half Term	2nd Half Term		
English	We will be reading Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick. The children will explore the range of themes covered in the text and practise writing a mix of fiction and non-fiction pieces.	We will be studying the book Holes by Louis Sachar . The children will practise writing a range of text types including: character & setting descriptions, a narrative piece, letters, a fact file and diary entries.		
Maths	ace Value & Calculation - Four perations rder of Operations (BODMAS) Fractions, Decimals & Percentages			
	It is essential for the children to know all of their time tables so that they can access the mathematics curriculum in year 6. Please encourage your child to practise on TTRockstars every evening to improve their speed and accuracy.			
	Here are some useful websites to support your child with their learning at home: <u>Corbett Maths Primary</u> <u>BBC Bitesize Maths</u> <u>Oak National Academy</u>			
RE	Creation and Covenant	Prophecy and Promise		
International Primary Curriculum	Brainwave - Metacognition This topic will enable children to understand how they learn in more depth, how they can improve their learning and improve their attitudes to learning. Earth as an Island In this geography unit, we will be learning about the physical features of islands, about the growth and development of islands over time and look at how human geography is impacting island life.	Out of Africa - Evolution & Inheritance This science based topic will provide children with the required knowledge to understand how life began and how living things evolve and change over time. They will develop their scientific enquiry skills by enabling them to practise researching, classifying and pattern seeking.		