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'Through God's love, we strive to be the best we can be.'

April 2023



Dear parents and carers,

I hope that you have had a restful Easter break and are looking forward to the first half of the summer term our final term of Year 2.

# Here is an overview of the topics that will be covered this half term.

| Bank holidays    | -Potential Strike Day Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2023   |  |  |  |
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| Dank Hondays     | -May Day Bank holiday Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May   |  |  |  |
| Potential Strike | -Potential Strike Day Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2023   |  |  |  |
| days             | -King's Coronation Bank Holiday Day Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May   |  |  |  |
|                  | Strike Day's will be confirmed by the school closer to the time.   |  |  |  |
| Literacy         | Our focus text for the first half of the term is   |  |  |  |
| ,                | '10 things I can do to help change my world'.  |  |  |  |
|                  | In this unit we will create poetry, write instructions and   |  |  |  |
|                  | invent toys made from recycled materials.  |  |  |  |
|                  | Our second focus text is 'The Storm Whale' and in this unit we will be focused on writing non-chronological reports. |  |  |  |
|                  | Spelling are given weekly for homework and a weekly spelling test will now take place every Friday.                  |  |  |  |
| Maths            | This term we will focus on   |  |  |  |
|                  | - Addition & Subtraction   |  |  |  |
|                  | - Multiplication and Division  |  |  |  |
|                  | - Money  |  |  |  |
| Topic: Geography | In this topic we will explore Britain's Seaside.   |  |  |  |
| What is it like  | -We will locate the various sites of the UK as well as the islands   |  |  |  |

| to live by the<br>sea? | that make up the British Isles.<br>-We will describe the various natural and physical features of a<br>seaside.<br>-We will explore how seasides have changed in history. |  |
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| Art                    | LS Lowry  |  |
| Music                  | Zoo time  |  |
| PE                     | Tuesday and Friday -<br>please come to school in your PE kits on these days   |  |
| RE                     | World Faith unit: How do the five pillars of Islam help a Muslim to commitment to God -Allah?   |  |
| PSHCE                  | What can help us grow and stay healthy?   |  |
| Spanish                | Conversational Spanish every Tuesday with Senior Enric  |  |
| Computing              | Making Music  |  |

## <u>PE</u>

Tuesday and Fridays outdoor. We have two PE sessions a week. <u>Children</u> will need to come to school in their PE kits on these days. We will not be changing clothes in class.

#### Homework

Homework is sent out every Friday and it should be returned the following Wednesday.

Spelling tests take place on Fridays.

<u>Reading</u> Your child should be reading at home on a daily basis for at least 10 – 20 minutes a day.

Please sign/comment in your child's reading log when you listen to them read.

#### Children in Guided Reading groups:

Please bring your reading book on the day given (this is written in your reading record)

#### Children in Phonics groups:



A new book is given every Wednesday and then should be returned on Friday. On Friday children go to the school library to choose a book to take home.

<u>Reading for pleasure</u>: Aside from their weekly levelled reading book - your child should have time to explore other books at home, you can use the Oxford Owl website to access other online texts for free

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/ Log in: st-marys2

Password: School123

### Letter join handwriting: <u>https://www.letterjoin.co.uk/log-in.html</u>

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<u>Times table rock stars:</u> Your child will be given their log in information again at the start of term. https://ttrockstars.com/

Take Care

**Miss Francis**