

YEAR 6 CLASS NEWSLETTER

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Story of the People of God
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Prayers In The Lives Of The Followers Of Christ
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Welcome back to school!

Welcome back to the start of a new year at St. George & St. Martin Catholic Academy! We are so looking forward to teaching your children in their last year at our school! We have a busy year ahead and the children have made an enthusiastic start especially in their new role as leaders of our school.

We will be teaching a variety of different subjects in Year 6 and the children will enjoy a full and rich curriculum. We have begun reading our first novel, 'Kensuke's Kingdom', by our class author Michael Morpurgo. The children will love reading this, and it will help develop both the children's reading and writing skills.

The children will be taught a variety of different subjects which will cover all areas of the National Curriculum. Here is a taster of just some of the things we may learn:

Science

Animals including humans
Living things and their habitats

History

Vikings

Art

Observational art using different media
Abstract art

Computing

Programming
Digital Literacy
E-Safety

PE

Handball
Swimming
Gymnastics
Health related exercise

English

Story Writing
Fiction Texts
Autobiography
Poetry

Maths

- Immediate recall of times tables and associated division facts
- Mental addition and subtraction, multiplication and division
- Place value and rounding
- Written methods for addition and subtraction, multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Units of measurement

Y6 Routines

Monday:

- English homework given out (SPAG / Reading task).
- English homework to be returned the following Monday.
- Spellings given out at the start of each half term, to be tested in school at the end of each half term.

Tuesday:

- Swimming (starts Tuesday 26.9.23)

Friday:

- Maths homework will be an arithmetic or reasoning task.
- Maths homework to be returned the following Friday.
- Children have daily maths homework, consisting of 4 calculation questions.
- Children expected to practise times tables at home using 'Times Tables Rock Stars', ready for a times tables test in class each week.

PE

- Children have PE on Fridays.
- PE (PE kit should be in school every day in case of a change to the timetable)

EVERY DAY!

- Children should bring their folders with reading books, diaries and their water bottle.

What can you do at home?

- Children who struggle with reading should ideally read to an adult at home as often as possible. Please sign reading diaries when this has taken place.
- All children should be reading independently (or to an adult) for at least 20 minutes per day. Children should record all their reading in their diaries.
- Encourage children to practice all their times tables and related division facts and to recall them quickly.
- Encourage children to complete homework promptly and practice spellings regularly.
- Encourage children to be aware of home and world events by reading newspapers and watching programmes such as Newsround on CBBC channel <http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/38949047>

Class Author: Michael Morpurgo

Encourage your children to borrow books from the library and share any recommendations with the class. Share a book together, it's a great way to practise reading and spend time together!



Class Saint: Maximilian Kolbe

This year each class has been assigned a Class Saint; Year 6 have already begun to learn about the extraordinary life of Maximilian Kolbe and the wonderful things he did.



Question or Queries

If you have any question or queries don't hesitate to make a note in your child's diary or you can make an appointment to see me at the school office.



Diary Dates

- Friday 22.9.23: Year 6 Assembly at 9.00am
- Week beginning Monday 25.9.23: After school clubs start
- Wednesday 27.9.23: Stay and Read 8.50am—9.20am
- Thursday 19.10.23: Harvest Festival 9.15am
- Tuesday 24.10.23: Stay and Do Maths 8.50am—9.20am
- Wednesday 25.10.23: Parent's Evening 3.30-5.30pm
- Thursday 26.10.23: Parent's Evening 5.00-7.30pm
- Sunday 26.11.23: Family Mass for Year 3 & Year 6—arrive 9.15am for a 9.30am start

Y6 Residential Week at Stanley Head

Dates: Mon 29th January 2024 to Fri 2nd February 2024

A letter with payment information has already gone out explaining how payment can be made in weekly instalments. Once the programme has been planned, you will receive this information also.