



# Year 2 Newsletter

## Spring Term

## St George & St. Martin Catholic Academy.

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a warm and cosy Christmas, spending time with your family and friends. Here's to a new year, hoping 2024 brings you all good health and happiness.

We are looking forward to a super spring term in Year 2 at St. George & St. Martin. There are lots of exciting things to learn within our curriculum.

This newsletter will give you more information about what is happening in the classroom and all the exciting things that the children will be learning about.

Here is a taster of just some of the exciting things the children in Year 2 will be doing...

### Staff in Year 2

#### Miss Arif

Class Teacher



#### Mrs Smith

Learning support practitioner



#### Miss Foulkes

Teaching and Learning assistant



#### History

**Toys and the changes overtime.**

Early 20th Century toys., Family Favourites, Victorian Toys, Toys Today and important changes.

#### Geography

- Locate toys around the world
- Differences between UK and another country
- Using a map



#### Computing

Online Safety  
Program a robot to do a task.  
Identify where a program goes wrong and debug it.

#### DT Wooden Spoon Doll

Design and make a Wooden spoon doll.

#### Food product

Cut food safely & Weigh ingredients e.g Easter Nests or pancakes.

#### PE

Monday : PE kits in school please.  
Wednesday: PE kits in school please.



Our class Olympian is Max Whitlock.

#### Art

- Create Van Gogh's Starry Night painting.
- Tone and shading
- Make Clay Pots with the skills of rolling and coiling.
- Look at Andy Warhol's paintings  
Create a printed piece of art through stamping,

#### English

- Postcards and letters
- Modern Poetry- Riddles
- Story about the wild-Setting description
- Information text
- Classic Poetry



**A large focus will be on handwriting, Punctuation, Grammar and Vocabulary**

#### Maths

- Properties of Shape
- Length and Height
- Multiplication and Division
- Money
- Mass, Capacity and Temperature



#### R.E.

- Christmas
- Special Celebrations
- Lent
- Easter



#### Science Uses of Everyday materials

- Identifying uses of materials
- Mother Nature (Natural or man-made)
- Comparing suitability
- Changing Shape
- Recycling
- Waterproof Materials
- Melting and Moulding
- Paper Bridge



## What can you do at home?

- It is so important to read with your child at home. We ask that you help your child with their reading book at least 3 times a week and sign their reading diary.
- Practice spellings weekly with your child. These will be tested at the end of the term.
- Encourage your child to complete their homework.



## Reminder

The children in Year 2 are provided with a choice of fresh fruit during the morning break. They may also like to bring in fruit, toast or an oatcake with cheese from home.



## Diary Dates

Thursday 25th January  
KS1 SATs Meeting

Wednesday 28th February and  
Thursday 29th February  
Parents Evening

Wednesday 28th February  
Trip to Stanley Head  
(letter will be sent out).

Friday 1st March  
Year 2 Class Assembly



### Just a reminder...

**ALL** items of clothing to please be labelled with your child's names, including ties and shoes.

NO jewellery to be worn on PE days please.

## Days to remember:

- ☺ Homework given out on a Wednesday, back into school on a Monday.
- ☺ Spellings are given termly. Children need to practice weekly in Homework books.
- ☺ Reading books will be changed once a week. Please make sure children read both books.
- ☺ Please ensure books and diaries are in school every day. Reading diaries must be signed before books are changed.
- ☺ PE kits in school on **Mondays & Thursdays** please.
- ☺ Water bottles in school everyday.

