

## WELCOME TO YEAR 4

## A PRAYER



Father of all mercies,

We ask that you bless all pupils with Your infinite and loving mercy, granting them the strength to learn, concentrate, and act in love towards everyone in our community.

We also ask that You watch over them, at home and at school and give them proper direction so that they may learn of Your wonderful virtues.

We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

#### STAFF



- •Miss Holmes
- •Mrs Hall (TA Monday-Thursday)
- •Mrs Genco-Billington (TA Friday)
- •Mrs Thorpe (Tuesday am)
- •Mr Morley (PE)
- •Mr Giles (Music teacher Strings)

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

**Girls:** Grey dress or pinafore, white polo shirt, school jumper or cardigan. White socks or grey tights and black shoes.

- **Boys:** Grey trousers, white polo shirt, school jumper. Grey or black socks and black shoes.
- In Trinity Term, girls may wear a red summer dress but this is not to be worn with tights. Boys may also wear shorts in this term.
- The only caps that can be worn in school are school caps.
- Hair that is shoulder length or below should be tied up for school.

## PE UNIFORM

Indoor Uniform	Outdoor Uniform
Red shorts White, round neck t-shirt Plimsolls / Trainers	Grey jogging bottoms White, round neck t-shirt Grey hoodie with school
	logo

Children should not wear any jewellery when taking part in PE – this includes earrings.

Children who do not have the correct kit will be unable to participate fully in the lesson.

## HOMEWORK

• Homework is one of our key policies.

- Children are expected to read for approximately 20 mins at home and work on learning their spellings daily. Also, children will receive Maths homework that consolidates work done in class. Other areas that children may receive work include grammar, RE and topic related work. Each half term, a longer homework project will be set. The children will be given a completion date and will then share their work in class.
- Additionally, children are also expected to practise their musical instrument for at least 10 minutes per day.
- All homework will be clearly marked with the date it is due. All children are expected to hand their homework in on time.
- IXL, Timestables Rockstars and Purple Mash are also tools to use to help children.

#### COMMUNICATION



#### WE ARE A TEAM!

Appointments can be made to see me via the School Office – do speak to me with any concerns.

- Consultation Evenings October & February (format yet to be decided)
- Written Reports June

As a school, we use Class Dojo to regularly update you about what is going on in school and in our class. A weekly newsletter will be sent every Friday too.

Please respect our hours of work and do not automatically expect us to have read an email sent during our 'out of office' hours or even during the school day – sometimes we're just too busy teaching!



#### ASSESSMENT



- On-going teacher assessment.
- Regular times table tests and weekly spellings.
- Half termly monitoring with intervention for those who are not making as rapid progress as we would like or meeting Year 4 expectations.

## ENGLISH

- Linked to books with high engagement
- Exploring different genres
- Reading
- Spelling
- Grammar and Punctuation
- Library and home reading



THE LION, THE WITCH and THE WARDROBE













## MATHS

 The School's calculation policy is available in the policy section of the school website. It contains year group expectations, model working and mathematical terminology. By end of Year 4, all pupils are expected to be able to:

Recall and use multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12x12. Supporting your children, at home, to achieve this is highly beneficial.

IF YOUR CHILD DOES NOT KNOW THEIR TIMES TABLES PLEASE HELP THEM TO LEARN THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THIS IS A PRIORITY.

## RE



- Come and See scheme.
- Children need to <u>make links between the stories</u> and Christian way of living.
- Children need to be able to <u>quote a variety of</u> <u>Bible verses</u>, be able to <u>find text and reference</u> <u>the Bible</u> and <u>understand why Christians feel</u> <u>compelled to the act the way they do</u>.

## MUSIC

- Mr Giles is the string teacher.
- Music lessons are on Wednesday afternoons. The children should bring their instruments on Wednesday and bring them home at the end of the day.
- Mr Giles will start out with percussion instruments whilst he waits for more violins to be delivered to him – due to tuning restrictions, Mr Giles has said that all children will learn the violin.

### KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

- Created knowledge organisers for History, Geography, Science and RE.
- These detail key vocabulary and important facts that the children will learn and know by the end of the topic.
- They should provide you and the children with a better understanding of the topics, allow for pre-learning and make suggestions on how to find out more.
- They can be found on our school website –

https://www.sacredheart.leics.sch.uk/curriculum/curriculum-2/





The wonder of God's love in creating new life. Children develop, in an appropriate way for their age an understanding of sexuality and grow further in their appreciation of their dignity and worth as children of God.

• Will be taught after half term.

It may mean that your child comes home and asks questions. Whilst we will try to answer as many questions as we can in school there will be a point at which we will refer them to you to ask.

## YEAR 4 ACTIVITIES - RSE

- Know that God has made us different from one another;
- Know that God loves us in our differences;
- Identify the male and female reproductive organs;
- How a child grows within the mother's womb.

Man, woman, boy or girl...

#### We are each unique...

#### ...we accept ourselves and each other.





#### Men and women are different

# What are the differences?





## KEY WORDS

God, Gifts, Talents, Difference, Development, Change, Male and female body parts (penis, vagina, breasts),

Conflict, Appreciate, Celebrate, Achievement, Sensitivity, Respect.

#### Development of a baby in the womb

#### Conception

The baby is just large enough to see. He/she is about half the size of a full stop.



#### 4 weeks

His/her heart is formed and he/she has small leg and arm buds.





#### 8 weeks

#### 12 weeks

The baby's eyes and ears are developing and legs show knees and ankles; toes are joined together.



All the important parts are formed and nails begin to grow.





#### 16 weeks

Some bones are hardening. The mother can feel movements and the baby can suck his/her thumb.



#### 20 weeks

The baby is now 25-27 cm long. His/her fingernails and toenails are fully grown.





For the wonder of me, thank you Lord. For the uniqueness of us all, we thank you Lord. For the wonder of your love in creating us, we thank you Lord. Amen.







READING VOLUNTEERS – NOT HAPPENING YET BUT HOPEFULLY IN THE NEAR FUTURE

We would like to provide more opportunities for the children to read to an adult.

Any help from parents, grandparents etc. would be much appreciated. Thank you to Finley's grandma and Fran for last year's efforts – the children loved reading to you and answering your questions.

No qualifications needed. Just share a book with a child like you would hear your own child read at home.

Small blocks of time rather than the full day work best. Just an hour before school pick up would really make a difference.

It may not be in your child's class.

There will be a list where you can sign up, letting us know available times tonight or you can volunteer at the school office.



## E-SAFETY



https://prezi.com/zkiu4f5z-dh1/primary-esafety-parents-awareness/?utm\_campaign=share&utm\_medium=copy

## **"THANK YOU AND** AS ALWAYS, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT ME VIA DOJO."