



## SPRING-TERM NEWS

### Events

#### January

- 16th—Maths Workshop
- 21st— New Year Mass in school
- 22nd—Greek WOW day
- 30th—Cake Sale

#### February

- 11th—Safer Internet Day
- 12th—Women in Science Day
- 13th— End of Term
- 24th— Back to school

#### March

- 4th-5th—Parents Evening
- 5th—Ash Wednesday
- 6th—World Book Day
- 10th-14th— British Science Week
- 21st—Lent mass in school

#### April

- 2nd—Choral Speaking
- 4th—End of Term

## DO THE LITTLE THINGS WELL.

### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a peaceful, safe and enjoyable Christmas break and we hope you have a happy new year!

### RE

We will be covering three new topics this year which are Journeys, Listening and Sharing and Giving.

The Christian life is about journeying with Christ and sharing his way of life. The Church's year celebrates the key. The Church's celebrations are community occasions. On Sundays, the parish family gathers together. It is a time to remember how much there is to celebrate; a time to say thank you; a time to know that God's love is offered and made visible here and now in Jesus and in people. Sacraments are more formal special moments: signs of 'God-with-us', who journeys with his people; signs of strength and blessing for life.

The Eucharistic celebration consists of two parts. The first part is the Liturgy of the Word, where Christians listen to God's Word in the readings, listen to the homily and the prayers of the Faithful. The second part of the celebration is the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Here the gifts are prepared, the Eucharistic prayer expresses thanksgiving and Communion is shared.

Lent is the season when Christians practice both giving and giving-up, to identify with the complete self-offering of Jesus which is remembered in the liturgy of Holy Week and the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday

## WHAT DID THE ANCIENT GREEKS BRING TO THE WORLD??

The big question for our first half-term is, 'Were the Greeks Groovy?'.

We will focus on the story of Theseus and the Minotaur and carry on from last term, learning how to punctuate direct speech, use expanded noun phrases and develop characters.

This links to our history topic where we will learn about ancient Greece, their gods, voting and the Olympics.

Our science topic is all about Magnets and Forces where we will focus on understanding how objects move along different surfaces depending on the force and the surface. We will also learn about and explain how magnets attract and repel.

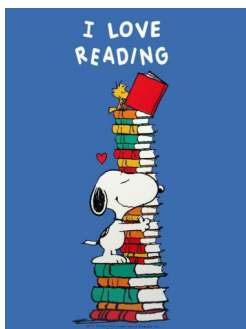


## **Homework**

Homework will go home every week on a Friday. We ask that it can be returned by the following Thursday. Homework will always be spellings, maths and one other thing. Spelling tests are on Friday and tests will be glued into the back of homework books for you to see how well your child has done.

We ask that you check your child's work and initial it before it comes back to school.

It is also expected that children in Year 3 should read aloud every night **covering 10 pages of their book**, and we ask you to record their reading in the diaries on a daily basis. Please write the name of the book and pages read. Daily reading is proven to have a huge impact on a child's academic progress so we do hope you support us in fostering a love of books for your child.



## **RSHE**

In Life to the Full, we will be learning about Jesus as my friend and Family, Friends and Others. We will read the story of The Prodigal Son and we will think about how God shows us forgiveness when we do something wrong. We will think about all the people in our lives and how we can be kind and helpful to

## **P.E.**

We will continue to swim next term. Please remember to bring you your swimming kit every Friday and wear your PE kit. Swimming is a part of the national curriculum, and more im-

portantly could one day save their life. Therefore, we ask that all children take part in each swimming lesson. If your child needs to miss a swimming lesson then please ensure you have written this into their organiser.

We will also be doing Fitness on Wednesdays so all children need to come in PE kit on Wednesdays for this half term.

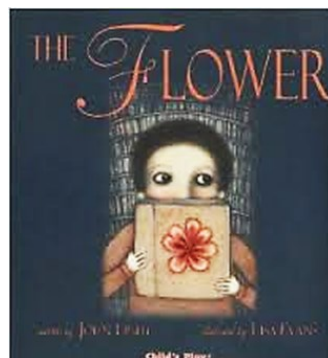


## **WHERE ARE ALL THE FLOWERS?**

Question for term 2 is, 'Where are all the flowers?' We will be learning how to punctuate direct speech, use expanded noun phrases and develop characters.

This will link to our Geography topic of Europe as we discover different plants across the continent, with a focus on France.

The Flower also links nicely to our Science topic, Parts of plants where they children will learn how the different parts of plants help the to grow and reproduce.



Thank you for your on going support during this year. It is greatly appreciated by all the staff at St Teresa's. Should you wish to speak to any of us, at any time, we will always be available for you to make an appointment to see us after school. Please feel free to contact the school office to arrange this.

The Year 3 Team

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