



SUMMER-TERM NEWS

Events

- 22nd April Earth Day
- 23rd April—Cake sale led by Year 5
- 28th April—Y3 Trip to Wollaton Hall
- **Bank Holiday 4/5/25**
- 6th May Y3 Class Liturgy
- 14th May—Ascension Day
- 18th May Art Week
- **22nd May—Last day of term**
- **1st June—INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
- **2nd June—SCHOOL RE OPENS**
- 3rd June—Environmental Day
- 23rd June—Cultural Day
- 25th June—First Holy Communion Mass 9:30
- 1st July—Y3 Trip Creswell Craggs
- 2nd July—Summer Fayre
- 14th July End of Year Assembly
- 20th & 21st July Class swaps
- 21st July —KS2 Sports Day (1.15pm)
- 23rd July SUMMER

DO THE LITTLE THINGS WELL.

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a peaceful, safe and enjoyable Easter break. We are looking forward to another wonderful term.

RE We will be covering three new topics this term which are Energy, Choices and Creation and Covenant.

Christians believe that the Spirit of God is active in each person and, in a special way, in the community of believers, which is the Church. It is the work of the Spirit to enable people to hear God's message and to live Jesus' way of service. The symbols used for the Holy Spirit—wind and fire—are symbols of power and energy. At Pentecost, the disciples were filled by the gifts of the Holy Spirit and went out courageously to carry the Gospel of Jesus to the whole world.

Christians believe that, in Jesus Christ, the world has been reconciled to God. Through and in Christ, every human being is offered the power to reach out in forgiveness and peace, to receive and to offer reconciliation. When making a choice, it is important to examine your conscience in order to make a good choice and minimise bad effects for ourselves and others. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a celebration of God's love and mercy: it is about the forgiveness of sin and being reconciled with God and one another.

In our Creation and Covenant topic we will: revisit and remember the first Creation story from Genesis, encounter the belief that human beings are made 'in the image of God' (Gen 1:27) and talk about what this might mean. We will make simple links between the first Creation story, the belief that all human beings are created equal, and an expression of the principle of Catholic Social Teaching about human dignity.

CAN YOU GROW A DRAGON?

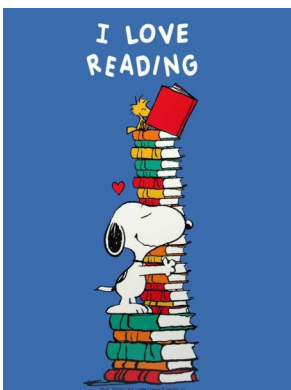
This term we will be looking at local history and Wollaton Hall and have a trip planned there on 28th April. Our English book this term is 'The Boy who grew Dragons'. This story follows Tomas, who discovers a strange old tree at the bottom of his grandad's garden, he doesn't think much of it. But he takes the funny fruit from the tree back into the house - and gets the shock and delight of his life when a tiny dragon hatches! In Science we will continue our own growing theme and look at how plants are pollinated and how to grow new plants.



Homework

Homework will go home every week on Friday. Every week your child will have spelling and times tables. 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 for 10 minutes **covering 10 pages of their book**, and we ask you to record their reading in the diaries on a daily basis. Please read *The Boy Who Grew Dragons* as this is the book we are working on in class. 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.

Remember to continue to use Accelerated Reader as part of homework.



Times tables

We are working very hard at school to help all children learn their times tables. We now know our 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables. Our focus this term is revision of 8's. To help your child at home please remind them to use Times Tables Rock Stars every week as this will benefit them greatly.

Swimming

Swimming will continue every Friday for the remainder of the school year.

Please come to school on Friday in PE kits (Black tracksuit bottoms, brown school jumper, white polo shirt and black trainers).

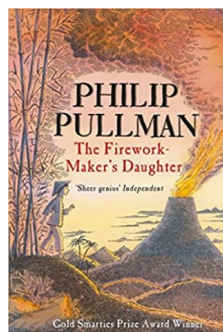


Summer 2

During our final half term we will be looking at a brand new topic 'Why is London the Capital city of the UK?'

In English we will be reading *The Firework Maker's Daughter*. A story of young girl who dreams of following her father and becoming a firework maker. However, first she must make a perilous journey to face the terrifying Fire-Fiend!

In science we will learn all about rocks and soil. We will be discovering all the different types of rocks and look at how some are formed through volcanic activity. Fossils are also a part of this topic.



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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