



## ST MONICA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Strive to succeed in the presence of God*

### Important dates

5th Sep	Mass in school for new school year
14 <sup>th</sup> Sep	School open day 70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
25 <sup>th</sup> Sep	School Closed INSET Day
1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Decade of the Rosary daily 8.50 am
1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Feast of St Theresa
4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Feast of St Francis
18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Show racism the red card – wear red

### How to help at home

Please read with your child every day and encourage them to read at home independently, both books from school and books, magazines, and news of their choice. Engage your child in conversation about what they are reading and their thoughts on the text.

Taking time to practice spellings and ask times table questions will all help with their key skills. These activities could be spoken or written as time allows. For example, when travelling to and from school asking times table questions or counting in multiples.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you enjoyed your summer break and would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to this new year.

Here is some information about what your child will be learning over the next few weeks along with some other useful information.

If you are able to send children in with kitchen towel and tissues – we greatly value these contributions!

### In RE this half term...

Our topic is 'Creation and Covenant'

Creation

We will be learning about the creation story in Genesis and Psalm 104.

Covenant

We will be looking at Abraham and his covenant with God. Retelling the story, developing some historical knowledge of the Jewish and Christian links.

### Useful websites

**BBC Bitesize KS2 – Year 3**

[Primary resources, homework help and online games - BBC Bitesize](#)

**Learning to type**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z3c6tfr#zn9s3qt>

**Maths frame**

<https://mathsframe.co.uk>

**Year 3**  
**Autumn 1**

### In English...

Our class book is 'The Frog Prince continued' by Jon Scieszka. It is a fiction book which contains a fairy tale.

We will be:

- Retelling fairy stories
- Exploring structures
- Reading aloud in class

This will build towards the children retell a fairy story.



Please discuss the children's favourite fairy tales. Can they tell you all of the story in order?

### In History...

The children will be learning about Ancient Egypt. You might like to watch this clip for a brief introduction to the topic here...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zYxC14pCaJ0> or this site for extra information  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zg87xnb>



### In Maths...

We will be:

- Using place value of hundreds, tens and ones.
  - Adding and subtracting numbers using a written method
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5qq6F8aJktw>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9EUzv>

### In Music...

We are exploring beat and pulse beginning to record patterns.

### In French...

The children will be beginning to learn French in our 'I'm Learning French' unit.

### Art

In Art this half term the children will use Ancient Egypt as their inspiration.

- Charcoal drawings
- Making paper
- Creating hieroglyphs

We will be using a range of mark making techniques and making observations.

### In Geography...

The children will be learning about rivers. Please have a look at the topic booklet uploaded to Google classroom.

### In ICT...

We will be learning:

- What a network is
- How a network communicates
- Network components
- Recognise real life networks



### In Science...

We will be studying our 'Plants' topic,

- How plants transport water
- How plants make new plants
- What plants need to grow
- Why do plants need flowers?
- The life cycle of plants

We will be developing our observational and explanation skills.

### PE

PE this half term will be

- Games: Net and Wall Games – controlling the ball
- Gymnastics: travelling with a change in direction

### In RHE...

Children will be learning about:

- Me, my body and my health
- Emotional wellbeing