ST MONICA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Strive to succeed in the presence of God

Important dates

12th,13th Nov – 3G parents evening
13th, 20th Nov – 3Y parents evening
22nd Nov – MC Grammar in school
29th Nov – School Disco until 4.30pm
4th Dec – visit to Westminster Cathedral
9th Dec- Year 3&4 carol service at St Monica's Church
16th Dec – Panto in school
19th Dec – Christmas Party

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 half term break and we look forward to meeting you at parents' evening soon.

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 especially as the season of coughs and colds is upon us!

In RE this half term…

Our topic is 'Prophecy and Promise'

First, we will be learning about Islam, then Prophecy and promise,
We will begin by learning information about Luke's Gospel and the titles that Jesus is given.
Next, we will be learning about Luke's account of the birth of Jesus and the title savour meaning for all people not just the Israelites.
Finally we will be looking at how the local community celebrate the birth of Jesus today.

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 2

In English…

Our class book is 'Moonman' by Tomi Ungerer. It is a fiction book which contains the scientific theme of the moon cycle.

We will be writing:
- News reports
- Playscripts

And reading aloud in class.

This will build towards the children creating a factual news report and writing an imaginative playscript.

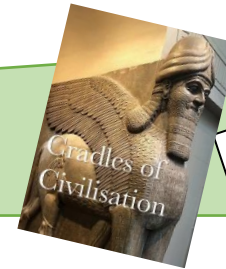*Please discuss the children's favourite fairy tales. Can they tell you all of the story in order?*

In History…

The children will be learning about the Cradles of Civilisation. You might like to watch this clip for a brief introduction to the topic here…

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygCqBZ_n9MM or this site for extra information

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z2ry3j6

In Maths…

We will be:
- Finish addition and subtracting with exchange and regrouping.
- Multiplication and division using multiples of 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t03yW7Oxsoc

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z36tyrd lots of resources on this site.

In Music…

We are learning a range of winter celebration songs and developing singing technique.

D&T

In D&T this half term the children will be making a cushion using the character Ug as their inspiration.

The skills covered will be:
- Joining materials
- Cross stitch and running stitch.
- Applique

We will design and make a cushion for Ug.

In French…

The children will be learning numbers and animals.

In Science…

We will be studying our 'Rocks' topic,
- What are the features of a rock
- How rocks are grouped
- Make accurate observations
- Investigate properties of rocks

We will be developing our observational and classification skills.

In Geography…

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

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zyhf3j6#zwj6p4j

In ICT…

We will be learning:
- Programming with Scratch
- Understanding loops
- Using blocks to create animation

Go to https://scratch.mit.edu/ for extra practice.

PE

PE this half term will be
- Completing our Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA)
- We will be participating in the daily mile.

In RHE…

Children will be learning about:
- Me, my body and my health
- Emotional wellbeing