



ST MONICA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Strive to succeed in the presence of God

Important dates

Wednesday 15th January A Star is Born auditions

Thursday 30th January A Star is Born 7pm

Thursday 6th Feb 9.15 3G class assembly

Monday 10th February Natural History Museum trip

**Week beginning 2nd February, 2024 – Children's
Mental Health Week**

Tuesday 11th February, 2024 – Safer Internet Day

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. You could try more challenging questions such as: How do you know? Or What makes you think that? These questions ask the children to justify their ideas.

Continuing to revise spelling words from previous weeks as well as the new list will help to make the other spelling patterns stick in the memory. Also ask times table questions will all help with their key skills.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you enjoyed your Christmas break and thank you all for your kindness and generosity.

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.

The Year 3 Team

Year 3
Spring 1

In RE this half term...

Our topic is 'Galilee to Jerusalem'

We begin by learning to pray the rosary, please feel free to pray a decade with your child. Reflecting that the rosary shows the importance of Mary in Christ's life.

We will be learning about different miracles performed by Jesus while he was in Galilee. Finally, we will be learning about the prodigal son and how Jesus used stories to teach the people who were there.

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>

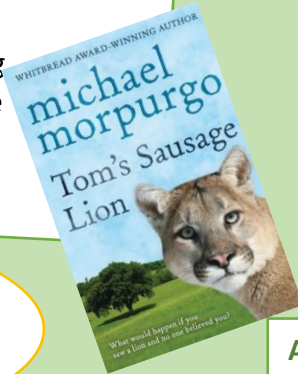
Maths frame

<https://mathsframe.co.uk>

In English...

We will use our diary writing skills to become different characters. Sharing more of the characters perspective from our understanding of the story. We will practice our grammar skills of commas in lists, expanded noun phrases for description and use of rhetorical questions.

We will also be short story writing using descriptive language, dialogue and time connectives.



A story of a cunning plan and teamwork.

In Science...

We will be looking at the topic "Light"

We will be investigating the importance of light in our everyday lives.
We will be looking at how we see
We will be investigating how shadows are formed.
Key words: opaque, transparent and translucent

PE

PE this half term will be

- Invasion Games - Creating space.
- Dance – linking actions

In History...

The children will be learning about the Indus Valley another ancient civilisation who settled near a river. You might like to watch this clip for a brief introduction to this topic:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/history-ks2-introduction-to-the-indus-valley/z4tjmfr>



ART

Prehistoric art

We will be expanding our line drawing skills and developing use of different drawing materials. This will culminate in cave paintings using a palette of colours in keeping with the time.

In RHE...

Children will be learning about: Forgiveness in relationships and how to build positive friendships.

In Maths...

We will be continuing to understand the link between multiplication and division. Also beginning to work on measurement skills of Length and Perimeter. If you are able to measure using tape measures and rulers at home this will be valuable experience.

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

In Music...

We are learning a range of call and response songs.

In French...

The children will be learning to name musical instruments.

In Geography...

The children will be learning about the four main types of settlements in the UK. This website has more information.
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zrbvjhv#zbrbg7h>

In ICT...

Learning how to send and edit emails, add attachments and how to be a responsible digital citizen by thinking about the contents of what is sent.

