



Summer Newsletter

Welcome Back!

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break. It has been great to see the children come back fresh and ready for their final term here at All Souls – I cannot believe how fast this year has gone already!

The Spring term in Year 6 was short and sweet but filled with so much learning, memorable experiences, trips and events and oodles of laughter, as always: Valentine's Disco, activities with our prayer friends, Author visits and VIP readers, our Lenten workshop and World Book Day reading café... and not forgetting the famous Year 6 Bake Off!

The Summer term always proves to be a busy one, with the chance to show off all their knowledge and skills in the KS2 SATs, receiving the special sacrament of Confirmation, going through the process of transition to prepare them for the next leg of their journey in secondary school, and finally, preparing for our leavers' production and assembly – tissues at the ready!



Summer Term Curriculum

Below is an overview of the curriculum that will be covered in Year 6 this term. However, like all good plans, there is likely to be some variance as the term progresses; this will be updated as and when necessary:

<p>Maths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SATs Revision and Application 	<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A range of text types exploring writing for a variety of purpose and audience 	<p>RE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Easter, Pentecost, Belonging to a Church community, Followers of Christ 	<p>Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light Electricity 	<p>PSHE/RSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making babies Menstruation Money Matters
	<p>Geography</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our World in the Future 	<p>Year 6</p>	<p>History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ancient Greeks 	<p>Music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instruments Singing
<p>Art</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brave Colour <p>Artists: Olafur Eliasson, Yinka Ilori, Morag Myerscough, Liz West</p>	<p>DT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pencil Cases 		<p>Spanish</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At what time? Environmental challenges 	<p>Computing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating Media—3D Modelling Computing Systems—Communication

Alongside this, we will also be aiming to tick off more of our 101 tasks from the All Souls' 101 Pledge

Homework



Homework tasks will continue to focus on children's regular **reading** and practising of **spellings, arithmetic, grammar and comprehension**. This term, the weekly writing tasks will pause when children are set their **home project-based task** in relation to their chosen Saint in RE (please see attached information). Alongside this, children are encouraged to continue accessing Times Tables Rockstars to ensure they retain and improve their recall of those key times tables and division facts. Homework is set on a Monday and due in the following Monday, including reading records. Please support us in encouraging children to complete homework tasks on time and to the best of their ability. Not only will this support their progress this term, it will also help to prepare them ahead of their secondary school journey.

Baptism: Please could you send your child in with a photo of their Baptism, or email one to me, to support us with an upcoming RE unit. It would be great if you could also discuss the following questions with them: *Where were you baptised? Who baptised you? When were you baptised? Why did your parent(s) choose to baptise you? Who are your Godparents? How did you celebrate your baptism?*



Sacrament of Confirmation



Confirmation will take place on **Sunday 9th June 2024 at 11.15am**. The children are very keen to be confirmed and take on the responsibility of becoming full adult members of the church. I would like to say a big 'thank you' to all the parents who have supported the Confirmation process by attending the sacramental preparation sessions and encouraging children to attend mass more regularly. We look forward to celebrating this special occasion with you all.

SATs

All Year 6 children working within National Curriculum requirements are legally obliged to participate in end of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) which identify the attainment of children in Reading, Writing and Mathematics for national comparison. These tests will take place on the **week beginning 13th May 2024**; it is crucial that your child attends school during this week. Children will be asked to come into school at **8.15am** that week so that we can offer each child a piece of fruit/snack and drink with the opportunity to calm any sudden nerves and prepare ourselves together for each day.

SATs are not something which either you or your child should be worried about. They should be approached as an opportunity to showcase everything our children have learned throughout their time in Key Stage 2; we will continue to ensure children are emotionally ready, as well as academically ready, to give them their best!

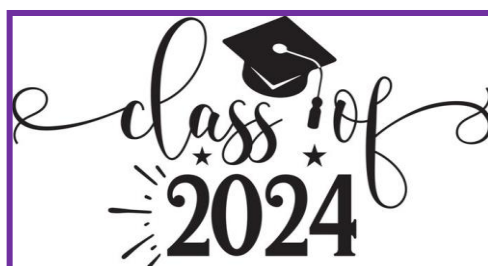
Date	Test
Monday 13th May 2024	Grammar & Punctuation test - 45 minutes Spelling Test - 20 minutes
Tuesday 14th May 2024	English Reading Test - 60 minutes
Wednesday 15th May 2024	Mathematics Arithmetics (Paper 1) - 30 minutes Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 2) - 40 minutes
Thursday 16th May 2024	Mathematics Reasoning (Paper 3) - 40 minutes

SATs 'Boosters': We will be continuing our SATs boosters this term **8.00-8.30am** on **Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays**. We strongly encourage all children in Year 6 to take up this opportunity as, historically, children who have attended booster sessions have made significantly more progress than those who have not. Children are welcome to bring a healthy breakfast snack to consume during or at the end of the session, so that they are ready for the school day.

SAVE THE DATES...

End of Year Play: Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th July 2024 7pm

Leavers' Assembly: Friday 19th July 2024 9.15am



Further details to follow

Kind regards,

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