



St. Anthony's Class

Autumn Term 2023

Dear Parent,

Welcome to Year 4. I hope you have all had a wonderful summer break. This year your child will have many new and exciting experiences to support them with their learning journey. I have detailed some of the things that your child will be working on during the Autumn Term.

English

We will begin our English by looking at Poetry writing. We will be exploring features of specific poems and using these as a model for our own writing. Following this, we will be looking at descriptive writing, which will be linked to our Ancient Greece theme, where the children will use adjectives for description as well as time, place and reason adverbials to extend their sentences. Our non-fiction lessons will again use our theme to look at discussion writing, where the children will use varied punctuation to create questions and further discussion points around Greek myths and monsters. Alongside our lessons the children will look at a variety of grammatical features through reading and writing as well as spellings based around the expected level for 3 and 4. Our reading lessons will take place daily, where the children will learn the text as a class working on fluency and prosody, continuing on to examine the features of the text and asking and answering questions to deepen their comprehension and understanding.

Reading books – over the next few weeks your child will bring a school reading book home to read. I would encourage you to spend time supporting your child with their reading and sharing as many texts as you can with them. This can be through shared reading as well as the child reading to you independently, it really helps when children have an adult to model how a text should sound so we do encourage shared reading as much as possible.

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People

In our first topic of 'Domestic Church' we will explore the Church and what it means as 'the family of God' The topic will explore the truth that Jesus had a natural family with real people with names and a history.

The second topic of 'Baptism and Confirmation' we will recognise our lives are marked by many different experiences of being welcomed into new situations and groups. Through this we will explore how these sacraments support us in our journey with God.

We will also explore the topic 'Advent/Christmas' where the children will gain a deeper understanding of the events which lead up to this significant event in the Christian calendar.



Further news

Tissues

Can you please donate one box of tissues to help us get through our coughs and colds? Thank you.



Snack Time

Please ensure you provide your child with a healthy snack for their break. In addition to this, please give your child a bottle of water each day so that they can drink whenever they feel thirsty.

School Uniform

I cannot stress enough the importance of making sure that your child's uniform is labelled clearly with their name. Some items of uniform can be misplaced and it is much easier to locate and return them to their owner if they have a name on them. Thank you

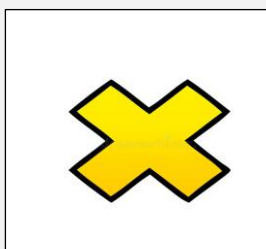
Homework

Reading Books

I would encourage you to support your child with their reading through hearing them read as often as possible and asking them to summarise what they have read. Please sign and date their reading log. Thank you.

Times Tables

We will be focusing on the 2s, 3s, 4s and 8 times tables. Please encourage your child to learn them to aid their Math's skills.



I hope that you have found this newsletter helpful. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on Class Dojo.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Campbell



PSHE Year 3 & 4

Health & Well-being

This term in PSHE we will be looking at health & well-being. The key question being:

What strengths, skills and interests do we have?

Self-esteem: self-worth; personal qualities; goal setting; managing set-backs.

Websites

Spanish

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ilg9Lgo9hH0

Computing

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/0/computing

Times tables

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables

APPs

IXL

Times table Rockstar's
10 minutes a day times tables-DK

Sing your times tables with
Percy Parker
Daily ten
BrainPOP UK