

Reading diaries

It is important that all children are continuing to read both at school and at home. Please ensure that your child is heard reading at least **three times a week**. This needs to be recorded in their Home/School reading diaries. Books will be changed once they have been read 3 times at home. **Our reading reward has been a huge success so we will be continuing with this. If you child reads at least 3 times a week at home, they will receive a certificate and be entered into a draw to win a prize!**

Homework and Spellings

Homework will be given out using a multiple choice grid and this will be stuck into the child's homework book. **One** piece of homework is expected each week. Please send your child's homework book in on **Wednesday** for marking and it will be returned on the **Thursday**. Your child will also have a piece of phonics homework each week. These will be sent home every **Monday**. **Please make sure your child's homework book is sent in on the first week back so the new homework can be stuck in.**

Spellings will continue to be sent home weekly and they will be tested on a **Thursday**. Please ensure that the children bring their completed spelling sheet into school. If spellings are not completed, they will be practiced during playtime on Friday.

PE

Correct P.E uniform needs to be worn and this is a white t-shirt, navy blue shorts and pumps.

Here at St John the Evangelist's, we have an open door policy and if you would ever like to speak to us then please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely
Miss Yates



Our Royal Family!



Class: Year One
Term: Summer Term 1

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Welcome back everyone! I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break. We have a very busy and exciting half term to look forward too and I can't wait to explore our new topics with you. We will be having a huge final push on our phonics to get ready for our phonics check in June!

During this half term, we will continue to have support from our student teacher Miss Lemon as she continues her studies to become a teacher!

Virtues

Our virtues for this half term are Grateful and Generous. The children will be grateful for their own gifts. For the gift of other people, and for blessings of each day; and generous with their gifts, both now and in the future.

Religious Education

In RE this term, the children will be learning all about Easter and Pentecost. In the Easter unit, the children will learn that Easter celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus and know the story of the women finding the empty tomb. They will understand about the symbolism of the Easter candle and know that after the Resurrection, the disciples shared the message and know how they can share the message too. In the unit of Pentecost, the children will know the story of Pentecost and know that the Holy Spirit is God and that the disciples changed after receiving the Holy Spirit.

English

We will be continuing to develop using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks. The children will be learning the stories Monkey Puzzle, Where the Wild Things Are and Zog. The children will be using their imaginations to write about imaginary worlds and will be starting to do big writes every two weeks where they will be writing their own stories and editing them to improve them. We can't wait to read the stories the children write!

Maths

In maths, the children will be learning about multiplication and division and recapping multiples of 2, 5 and 10. We will be looking at doubling and halving, arrays, making equal groups and sharing. The children will also focus on both 2D and 3D shapes and fractions. The children will be halving shapes, objects and quantities and also finding a quarter of a shape, object and different quantities.

Science

For the rest of this term, we will be learning all about plants and trees. We will be planting our own green beans and monitoring how they grow. We will also be learning about both common and wild flowers and thinking about what plants need to grow and the structure of plants. We will hopefully also be going on a local walk to identify different flowers and plants.

P.E

This half-term, Year 1s PE lesson will be on a Monday. The children will have dance with Miss Georgina. **Children should bring their PE kits into school every Monday and they will bring them home on a Friday.**

If your child participates in any activities out of school, please send any pictures into school or email them to year1-ks1@stjohnskidsgrove.org.uk and they can be displayed on our 'Wall of Fame' in the hall.

Art

During this half term, year 1 will be learning all about the artist L. S Lowry. We will think about what we like and dislike about his artwork and then use his work to help us to create our own pieces of art focusing on royal buildings. We will link our art work to our history topic of the royal family and create art made of clay, using paint and also using the laptops.

History

This half term the children will be learning all about the Royal Family. We will be learning about our monarchy both from the past and in the present focusing on Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II. The children will learn about family tree's and identify similarities and differences between the Queens. We will finish the topic by celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Phonics

The children will continue to have daily phonics lessons both recapping sounds they have already learnt and also learning new sounds. The children will use their phonics in their reading and writing to help them to progress in their learning.

Please continue to use your child's sound cards daily to recap their sounds with them. This is extremely important will the phonics screening check in June.

RSE

We will be using the Ten:Ten programme to deliver RSE lessons. The children will learn about God loving us, special people in our lives, how to treat people correctly and how to say sorry and how to stay safe.