



# Year 4 Newsletter: 21.10.22



St Paul's Class: Mrs Lee

St Therese's Class: Miss Barrett

## Key dates and events:

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2022:** Year 4 Mass at Our Lady of the Annunciation (Parents are welcome)

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022:** Year 4 trip to The British Museum (If you are able to volunteer, please come and see us after school or let the office know. Please see separate letter regarding this trip. Cost is £18.

## Next Week's Curriculum:

**ENGLISH:** After half term, we will be starting our new book *Ice Palace* by Robert Swindells.

**Reading focus:** Retrieval of key facts / exploring language

**Writing focus:** Descriptive writing

**Grammar focus:** Fronted adverbials

**Spelling focus:** Common Exception Words revision / adding prefixes. E.g. -ir, -in, im (immature, irregular, inaccurate).

**MATHS:** After half term, the children will be learning position and direction.

**SCIENCE TOPIC:** *Could we cope without electricity for one day?*

Next term, the children will be using their knowledge of electricity, to make a board game involving a working circuit.

**R.E TOPIC:** *Called*

Next term, we will continue our topic on being called. The children will be learning about how biblical figures were called by God.

**P.E TOPIC:**

Teacher-led lesson: Gymnastics

Coaches: Tag Rugby

**HISTORY:** *What is the legacy of the Ancient Greeks?*

We will be continuing our Ancient Greek topic, learning more about the gods and the role they played in Greek mythology.

**Soundstart:** Each week, the children will be learning to play their instrument within a group setting with a specialist music teacher from Soundstart. They will also learn how to hold, care for and pack away their instrument safely.

**FRENCH:** This term, the children will be taught by Madame Severine alongside their class teacher. The focus will be on learning to speak about their favourite pets and animals they like/dislike. They will also learn how to say the days of the week and their birthday.

**READING:** Your child is able to change their book whenever they have finished reading it. Please make a note of the date, book title, pages read and comment briefly on how well they have read to you. You could note how fluent their reading was, if they are enjoying it and any words you have helped them read or understand. Your child should be reading at least 20 MINS PER DAY.

**SPELLING:** Please see the spelling sheet/s your child has been given. Please practise these with your child over half term.

**MATHS:** There will be no homework set over half term, however we would like the children to revise their times tables. Please see the top marks website link below to support this.



**WE HOPE YOU HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM!**

Here are some website links your child could explore over the half term:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0> (See text for login details)

<https://www.science-sparks.com/key-stage-2-science-experiments/>