St Martin's Class: Mr Slater

St Cecilia's Class: Mr Ocansey

What a busy week and just like that the first half of our Summer term has flown by! This week, the children have been learning all about Subsidiarity, one of the Values of Catholic Social Teaching for our RE Week.

We want to take this opportunity to congratulate the children on all their hard work and efforts this term and we hope you all enjoy a well-earned rest over the next week. We're very much looking forward to ending the school year in style when we return after the break.

Please a gentle reminder: Kindly send your child to school in their summer uniform. Please note we are glad to assist if you could label your child's belongings such as PE kits, jumpers etc to enable us return any item in case they get mislaid.

Next Term Summer 1 Week 6 Curriculum

ENGLISH: Children of the Benin Kingdom by

Diana Orji

Reading Focus: To draw inferences from characters' feelings, thoughts and motives Writing Focus: Narrative writing switching between narration and dialogue

Grammar Focus: Use connectives to move story

on

Spelling Focus: Silent letters k, w, b, h, t and s

SCIENCE:

This week, we will be investigating the life cycle of insects. We will be focusing on the incomplete metamorphosis of a dragonfly; from their watery origins as Naiads to the more recognisable adult dragonfly capable of reproducing.

COMPUTING: Scratch

We will be continuing our new computing topic on scratch. During this time, we will be programming our own catching game making use of input/output commands. We will also be introducing a scoring system.

MATHS:

When we return from Half Term, we will be spending the first week of Maths recapping our knowledge of Fractions. We will first be looking for equivalent fractions in order to simplify. We will also be using fractions to calculate, this time multiplying mixed numbers by integers.

R.E TOPIC: Freedom & Responsibility

Next week we will be investigating the significance of the Ten Commandments and discussing their lasting importance today.

We will also have a go at writing some of our own Thomas Becket Commandments

HISTORY: Benin Kingdom

Next week in history, we will be comparing the Ancient Kingdom of Benin and Tudor and Stuart England. What comparisons can be made and why are these significant when reflecting on the history of different cultures? We will be continuing to use historical sources to help us.

FRENCH: Children will continue lessons taught by Madame Severine alongside their class teacher. The focus now is on food and drink. Children will be able to construct sentences using verb agreement between masculine and feminine nouns.

HOMEWORK – Homework due on 24.05.23

MATHS: No Maths Homework.

READING: Your child should continue reading the book provided with the reading journals which must be in have been returned to them. Please, kindly note the **date**, **book title**, **pages read** and **brief comment** on their reading.

Children should now have finished reading 'Savitri's Tale and Other Heroic Stories' by Anthony Horowitz. We have now allocated 'The Mystery of the Poisoned Pudding' by Josh Lacey. Children should read Chapters 4, 5, and 6. Please encourage children to continue making use of this wonderful resource at home!

To log in to Bug Club, your child's username will be the first 4 letters of their first name, followed by the first four letters of their surname. Passwords are either 'Martin' or 'Cecilia' (depending on which Year 5 class). The school CODE is hp6h.

SPELLING:

Please encourage your child to learn the Term 3 Set 1 spellings.

Spelling Focus:

Silent letters k, w, b, h, t and s

Children to practise these spellings and write sentences in the Pink Homework book using words the spelling list.

SET 1	Week 1	Week 2
Words with "silent" letters: silent k	knew	knight
silent w	wrestle	wrinkle
silent b	bomb	climb
silent t	fasten	listen
silent h	honest	hour
silent s	island	aisle
Extension	plumber	succumb
	honour	heir
Word list	sincere	stomach
	soldier	suggest



HALF TERMLY PROJECT: Science Focus!



As well as plants, we will be learning about the life-cycles of insects, birds, amphibians, and mammals.

We would like to thank all parents for their continued co-operation and support in the children's home-learning projects. We have already begun some project presentations and the children really do enjoy the opportunity to present their hard work.

We will be announcing the next half-termly project in the first newsletter back after Half-Term!