



ST JOHN'S
A PRIORY ACADEMY

Curriculum Newsletter – Year 2

Summer 2

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Tolerance**

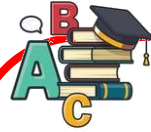
Dear Families,
We are looking forward to the new term. Here is an overview of the learning we will be covering. We hope you will be able to support your child's learning at home by reading with them and talking about the work they are doing in class.

Maths

In our Maths lessons, we will be telling the time. We will learn o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. We will then think about how long things take in minutes and hours.

We will begin to create pictograms and bars charts, collecting data using tally charts. Once created we will think about what the data shows and answer questions.

We will continue with calculation practice, solving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division questions and finding out fractions of numbers.



English

Reading

In reading, we will be reading a variety of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts linked to our other areas of learning. We will be making predictions about what will happen next in a story. We will be trying to use expression in our reading and improving our reading accuracy, pace and fluency by re-reading texts. Please continue to hear your child read aloud at home as it really helps to develop this. We will also be answering literal and retrieval comprehension questions. We will find the evidence in the text and highlight it before using it to answer questions in a variety of formats.

Writing

In our writing, we will be using our History and Geography learning to inspire our writing. We will be looking at letters as we work towards writing a letter home from a Victorian School child. We will be challenging the children to include all of the skills they have learnt so far this year, without forgetting the basics like capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. We will also be using the texts 'Too small Tola' and 'Amazing Africa' to inspire some story writing based around the Nigerian culture.

Science



In Science, we will be learning about how to take care of plants. We will be answering the question- What does a mature plant need to stay healthy? We will be looking back at our learning on what humans need to stay healthy and seeing if plants need the same things or something different. We will learn what an unhealthy plant looks like and what it might need to recover. We will also look at the life of Beatrix Potter as a famous botanist. We will investigate whether temperature affects the growth of mature plants and whether they need light.

PSHE

In PSHE this term, we will be exploring the question – Do I need to be careful when taking medicines? We will explore why medicines are taken and where they come from. We will also learn about how to keep ourselves safe around medicines, recognising that medicines can be harmful if not taken correctly.





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In PE we will be learning doing Athletics and striking and fielding, and of course, preparing for sports day! The children will learn athletics skills such as sprinting, jumping and throwing. We will be learning how to improve our aim, our power and our accuracy. We will learn to throw balls overarm and underarm. We will be tracking a rolling ball. The children will develop hitting for distance and the ability to catch a ball to get a batter out. We will learn the importance of knowing the rules of a game and sticking to them.



History

In History we will be learning about schools in the past. We will find out about Victorian schooling and compare classrooms now to classrooms in the past. We will learn how strict schools were in Victorian times. We will be learning about George Boole, a famous teacher from Lincoln. We will find out about his achievements and how his research is still used today.

Computing

This term we will be using the laptops to create digital art using Mondrian, Matisse and Kandinsky as inspiration. We will learn how to use a paint package and all the different tools. We will then continue our Maths learning on the laptops by creating bar charts and pictograms digitally, collecting data such as traffic colour and favourite animals.



Art/DT

In Art this term, we will be continuing our landscape project started last term, developing our skills in using simple print making techniques to create prints of landscapes. We will also be reflecting on our achievements and exploring the work of our peers through a mini gallery.

In DT we will be learning about a healthy diet. We will investigate food groups and find out about the importance of 5 a day and eating different coloured foods. We will design and create our own healthy wrap and of course taste test it!

RE

In RE this term, we will be continuing our learning about Islam. We will think about special journeys we have been on and how they made us feel. Then we will think about why Muslims make the Hajj journey and the different things that are involved in this. We will discuss whether this makes them a better Muslim and how it might make them feel to take part in this trip. We will learn about the significance of Makkah and the Grand Mosque. Then we will think about what our most special journey would be and why.

