ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

YEAR: 6 **TERM 2** **CURRICULUM OVERVIEW**

Mathematics

This term, we will continue to focus on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, before moving on to look at fractions. Children will build on their prior knowledge of equivalent fractions to recognise when fractions are in their simplest form. We will be using our knowledge of common factors to help simplify fractions before ordering and comparing them. Later in the term, we will explore how to add and subtract fractions, applying this to multi-step problems which involve mixed numbers. At the end of our fractions learning, we will start to explore different measures and how to convert between these, applying our multiplication and division knowledge.

RE

This term, Year 6 will be studying Prophecy and Promise, learning about the messages of the prophets and the promises God made to His people in the Old Testament. Alongside this, the children will explore the important role of women in biblical history, discovering how their faith, strength and determination helped shape key events. Through engaging discussions, scripture study and reflection, pupils will deepen their understanding of God's plan and the valuable lessons these stories continue to offer today.

English

Our SPaG lessons this term will focus on the basics of sentence structure, with the children exploring main and subordinate clauses to build confidence in varying their writing. We will also be exploring parenthesis, learning how brackets, commas and dashes can be used to provide extra information for our readers.

In our comprehension lessons, we will be focusing on the content domain skills for 2a define, 2b retrieve and 2d infer. The children will become confident with the language used in questions, learning to justify their answers with evidence from the text.

Our class reader for this term is: To the Edge of the World

Design Technology

In term 2, we will be exploring a DT unit where the children will research existing playground equipment and their different forms, before designing and developing a range of apparatus to meet a list of specified design criteria.

Computing

This term, the children will be using Scratch to develop their coding skills. Over the course of the term, we will plan and devise a sequence of events to produce an animated story, before debugging our programmes and sharing them with a partner.

Physical Education

This term, children will continue swimming weekly on a Thursday. Please ensure children come well equipped with appropriate swimming attire, towel and change of clothes. Alongside swimming, children will participate in weekly P.E. sessions on a Friday afternoon with our specialist teacher. Please ensure children come into school on a Thursday and Friday dressed in their PE kits.

RSHE

Our unit this term is: Created and Loved by God.

The children will explore themselves as individuals, rooted in the teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God. It will help children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.

Geography

Our Geography learning this term will look at populations and the reasons for their continual change. Children will begin by exploring the distribution of the global population before looking at birth and death rates, considering why these might change in different locations. Children will also consider the impact of migration and climate change, drawing their findings together to present reports on how populations are affected.

Science

This term, the children will be exploring animals, including humans. The children will build on their knowledge and understanding of different systems within the body, before researching the parts and functions of the circulatory system. The children will also focus on how nutrients are transported around the human body. We will finish our unit by exploring how a healthy lifestyle supports the body to function and how different types of drugs affect the body.

Music

This term, the children will be learning about jazz music and its origins, playing instruments in time with the music. All of our learning will be focused around two tunes: Bacharach Anorak and Meet the Blues.

French

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