



St George's Year 1 and 2

Spring Newsletter



English

This half-term, Year 1 and 2 will be retelling two fantastic children's stories that you might be familiar with: 'Where the Wild Things Are' and 'Whatever Next!'.

Before we write our own version of the these beloved stories, we need to get to know them a little bit first, so there's going to be plenty of event sequencing (where children have to put the events of a story in the right order), discussion and acting in store for the Year 1s and Year 2s.

Religious Education

Our first focus in RE will be special people, and we will start by reflecting on who is personally special to us, before recognising the special people who have a role at church every Sunday.

Our second focus will be on special meals within Catholicism; the children will learn about different families and groups sharing meals; they will reflect on mass being Jesus' special meal and they will learn about the all important holy communion.

Maths

Over the course of this whole half-term, we will be doing lots of measuring! While both year groups will be experimenting with different ways of measuring different things, Year 2s will be looking more closely at the units with which we measure (such as cm and kg for example) and estimating, while the Year 1s will have to get their thinking caps on, as they will be required to solve some tricky practical knowledge with their newly acquired measuring skill.

Science

Our topic for Science this half-term is officially titled 'Animals including humans', so we will be learning about the basics of a variety of different creatures. Our first lesson will be all about what a thing needs to do and be to be considered 'alive', 'dead' or 'never alive'. After that, we will be grouping sets of animals, recognising their adaptations and learning how they (and we) change over time, before focusing on humans and the human body more specifically.

Computing

This half-term's computing topic is all about programming, which basically means 'getting computers to solve problems'. We are very fortunate at St George's to own a small fleet of robots known as Bee Bots, which can be programmed to follow a set of simple movement instructions, and we will no doubt have plenty of fun learning to program these.

PE

PE is taught on a Wednesday and Thursday.

The Active Kids group will be teaching PE on Wednesday afternoons.

Dance – we are bringing a jungle theme to our dance lessons this half-term, as the children learn about how to express feelings of characters through dance, as well as constructing and developing their own movement patterns, then reflect on their performances and suggest improvements to one another.

Geography

Our topic of the half-term this time is all about the countries of our United Kingdom, and we will be learning about their physical features as well as about their capital cities. Towards the end of the topic, we will be introducing compass directions, and we may even have an opportunity to draw a pirate map or two, as we learn about map symbols and keys!

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