



ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM FEDERATION

Year 6 Autumn 1 Newsletter 2022

Meet the Team

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Ms Cross



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Returning to School

Welcome back to school – we hope you have had a restful summer break.

We have our meet the teacher session on the 5th and 6th September– we look forward to seeing you then.

Topic Overview & Key Text

We have developed a new thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

Our topic work will focus on the lives of children during World War Two.

Humanities: In history we will be learning about World War 2- What impact did this war have on people's lives in Manchester?

DT: We will be making an Anderson Shelter

Science: Electricity

PSHE: reconnecting with each other, British Values and Wider World etiquette and longstanding values that underpin our society.

Maths

This term we will be focusing on place value and the four operations-being able to apply this knowledge in different contexts is vital.

There is also going to a specific focus on fractions while continuing to revise our arithmetic skills.

Regular times table work will also be a focus.

Writing

Set in France, during the Nazi occupation of World War II, a gentle child named Helen recalls the mounting persecution of her Jewish friend. She wonders why does her best friend, Lydia, have to wear a yellow star? Why are people in hiding and using strange names? What is Lydia afraid of? Touching upon the Holocaust with sensitivity and poignancy, *Star of Fear*, *Star of Hope* will help readers understand this difficult event in history. We will be writing a flashback set in World War 2.

Reading

Our key theme in reading is World War 2, bravery, impact of war, bereavement and healing. We shall be reading the following texts: *The Boy in the Stripped Pyjamas*, *Paz*, *Letters from the Lighthouse*, *Good night Mr Tom*, *Winter in Wartime*, *Erika's Story* and *Skyward*.

Homework

Monday – reading and spellings

Tuesday – reading

Wednesday – reading

Thursday - Maths reading

Friday- PE Kit needed and spelling test

Daily reading. Reading journal signed by parent/carer at least 3 times a week.



Year 6 Date & Routines

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Maths Homework due Spellings tested Reading daily	Reading daily	Reading daily	Maths homework Reading daily	PE – please bring correct kit: black shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings; a plain PE top; a pair of trainers Reading daily- reading records stamped.

We would like to welcome parents to meet their class teacher on either Monday 5th September or Tuesday 6th September at 9am or 3pm.

Conway Trip: Wednesday 14th – Friday 16th September