



Topaz Class Newsletter

Thorpe Church of England Primary School

Autumn 2

November 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic start to this half term! The children worked incredibly hard last term and have already shown great perseverance and resilience. This is another important half term of learning. Please support your child by getting them to school every day so they don't miss anything! You can continue to help your child by reading with them daily and practicing their basic number skills which they will need to apply to the more complex problems of year 6. Times tables are key. Everything you do will help them reach their potential. If you have any queries or suggestions, please feel free to arrange a time to come in and have a chat.

Many thanks,

Mrs D'Abreo and the Year 6 team.

Our value this half term is **KINDNESS**

Home Learning

Maths - White rose maths home learning will be given out each week: Given out on a Friday and marked in class on the following Friday. Please look at the children's work and encourage them to ask if they are unsure. It is important that they get used to the idea of producing a well-presented piece of work for a deadline.

Reading - every night for 10-15 minutes please. This is **vital** in year 6 and it would help your children greatly if you listened to them, and asked them questions about their books - this is especially important to develop their comprehension skills. Please encourage them to use a dictionary and challenge their understanding of tricky words. Get them to read aloud too, this develops their fluency and expression.

Spellings - will be set on spelling shed every Thursday and tested on the following Thursday. The children will also take home a paper copy of the spellings too.

Topic- This will be set over the half term and children will be given the choice of what they would like to do each week.

Times table learning where appropriate. (15 mins)
These are key to success in maths!

English

This term we will be working on building the children's confidence as young authors and developing writing around our topic.

Reading - Developing reading strategies to solve different questions types - focusing on inference, summary and word meaning questions.

Explanations - Writing an explanation of the Circulatory System

October, October by Katya Balen - Narrative writing

Poetry - Figurative language

Topic

Sustainability - How green is Surrey?

This half term, we will be looking at plastic waste and the impact that it has on our environment. We will be investigating how green we are as a school and how environmentally friendly Surrey is. We will be making comparisons with other countries and how they deal with plastic waste.

Science -Animals including humans -
the circulatory system
Enquiry question: What affects our
blood?

R.E.

How is God three yet one?
We will be looking at the Trinity and
understanding the different roles
each part of the Trinity plays.

Maths

Multiplying fractions by integers
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Dividing fractions by integers
Fractions of amounts
Arithmetic practice
Measurement - metric measures
Solving problems involving measures

PE

Friday - Street dance
Tuesday - Volleyball

Topaz Class PE days

Our PE lessons will be on a **Tuesday & Friday**, please wear your kit to school on those days! We would be grateful if all items of clothing are named, earrings are taken out and long hair is tied back.

Events:

Junior Citizen trip - Thursday 14th November - please collect your child from Thorpe Park directly by 3.15pm.