



ST MARK'S PS TERM PARENT INFORMATION LETTER



TERM 2 OF PRIMARY 6!



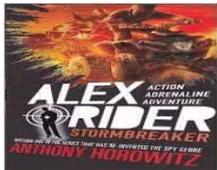
I hope that everyone had a very restful and relaxing October holiday. We return to a busy term ahead with lots of learning planned, and hopefully some fun along the way.

CLASS INFORMATION

Mrs McKie will continue to be in class on a **Monday** and **Tuesday**, Miss Gibson will be in class from Wednesday onwards. We have **PE on a Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Every day we try to have at least 15 minutes of physical activity to keep our minds and bodies healthy. Please ensure your child comes to school with a filled water bottle, so that they can stay hydrated throughout the school day. On PE days, pupils may come to school with trainers on and ready for PE- ***School on Top, Sports on the Bottom*** - all jewellery should be left at home and any long hair tied back off the face, please. Our homework focus will continue to be on reading.

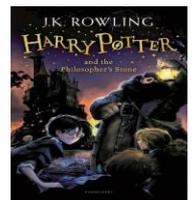


LITERACY



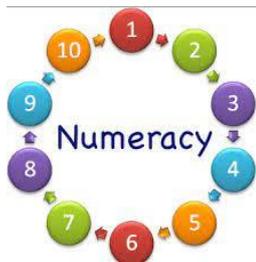
In reading, we will be revising SHORS strategies to help the children to understand what they have read. We are finishing off 'Stormbreaker' by Anthony Horowitz, the children have enjoyed this book. We are exploring vocabulary, character and theme.

Once we have finished this book we will move on to "Harry Potter and the Philosopher Stone" by JK Rowling. During this topic we will work closely with P7-6 on critical skills challenges and literacy activities.



In writing, we are working on tools and skills for writing and developing our description writing using PM writing.

NUMERACY



In numeracy this term, we are developing our addition and subtraction knowledge and skills, with larger numbers. We will be focusing on mental and written addition and subtraction strategies to help us solve different problems. We are aiming to improve tables recall this year – we are enjoying a number of

activities and games! In class maths, we will be learning about Angles, Compass Point, Translation and Co-ordinates.

ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

This term our theme is Global Goals. Pupils will decide what they wish to learn about linked to our work around Global Goals and Rights Respecting Schools. The pupils will be issued with some challenges that they will be asked to work through in small groups. These challenges are designed to develop creativity, make the most of time and resources working to a deadline. We hope that the pupils will enjoy working in this way and will get a lot from the challenge-based learning.



In Spanish, we will be revising number to 100 and learning vocabulary to describe the body. Our standalone Science topic this term will be Electricity.

We will continue to work on silver level of the JASS award where we will work through four sections:



- **My Interests:** developing an interest or learning a new skill
- **Get Active, Stay Active:** taking part in sport and physical activity
- **Me and My World:** contributing to the local community
- **Adventure:** outdoor activity and learning, including team work and problem solving

This award is something that the children really enjoy and comes with many benefits. **My Interests** and **Get Active, Stay Active** are to be completed at home. **Me and My World** and **Adventure** will be completed in school.

We look forward to working with you all again, this term, please get in touch if you have any issues or questions regarding your children.



Kind regards,

Claire McKie & Antonia Gibson

