

Primary 6/7

Focus For Learning

St. Mary's Primary School
Term 1 2022-23

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Primary 6/7 Term 1 Focus For Learning: Literacy

Reading

This term, pupils will focus on the six reading comprehension strategies: prior knowledge, metalinguistics, visualisation, inference, main ideas and summarising. Pupils will have the opportunity to work on these skills through the use of reading comprehension cards and a novel study. Our novel study this term will be Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by JK Rowling.

Writing

Pupils will continue to work through the Phonics International programme at their relevant stage. This will be supplemented at home through the WAND phonics online programme. If you would like further information about the programme, you can visit the website at: <https://phonicsinternational.com/>

Pupils will also focus on the skills of organising and using texts, creating texts and using tools for writing. They will work on these skills through our Big Writing Adventures as well as across the wider curriculum. Our first Big Writing mission will be Animals in Danger.

Talking and Listening

Pupils will have opportunities to develop their tools for listening and talking. Opportunities will include Primary 7 House Captain speeches, in class debates and drama sessions. In addition, pupils will have opportunities to create texts verbally and discuss texts for enjoyment.

Primary 6/7 Term 1 Focus For Learning: Mathematics and Numeracy

Number, Money and Measure:

Estimation and Rounding

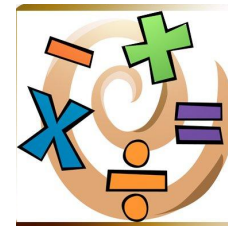
Pupils will learn how to:

- Round whole numbers to the nearest 1000, 10 000 and 100 000.
- Round decimal fractions to the nearest whole number, to one decimal place and two decimal places.
- Apply knowledge of rounding to give an estimate to a calculation appropriate to the context.

Number and Number Processes

Pupils will learn how to:

- Add with a specific focus on breaking number into place value.
- Subtract with a focus on adding up strategies.
- Multiply with a focus on breaking factors into smaller factors.
- Divide with a focus on repeated subtraction and sharing.



Multiples, Factors and Primes

Pupils will learn how to:

- Identify multiples and factors of whole numbers.

Shape, Position and Movement

Pupils will learn how to:

- Use the common units of measure, convert between related units of the metric system and carry out calculations when solving problems.

Factors
The numbers that are multiplied to get a given number
factors of 12:
(1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12)
There will always be *fewer factors*, because there are a set number of ways to multiply to get a given number.

Multiples
The numbers you say when you skip-count by a given number
multiples of 12:
12, 24, 36, 48, 60, 72, 84, 96, 108, etc.
There will always be *more multiples*, because numbers are infinite!

Primary 6/7 Term 1 Focus For Learning: Health and Wellbeing

Emotion Works

The children will continue to participate in the Emotion Works Programme this term with Miss Martin. For further information please visit the Emotion Works website:

<https://www.emotionworks.org.uk/>

SHANARRI

Children will focus on the following SHANARRI indicators:

- **SAFE:** What skills do we have to keep ourselves safe?
- **HEALTH:** What skills do we have to keep ourselves healthy?



Physical Education

PE takes place every Tuesday and Thursday for P6/7. All pupils will receive a PE kit from the school. Please ensure your child bring their kit to school on their allocated days.

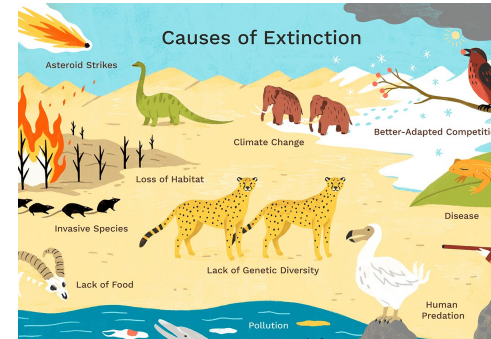
Reusable water bottles are also encouraged, as they are very practical and environmentally friendly.

This term pupils will participate in a range of outdoor athletic activities. They will also have the opportunity to explore and discover outdoor spaces through movement. Pupils will also focus on the skills of basic body moves and object control.

Primary 6/7 Term 1 Focus For Learning: Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL)

Science:

Planet Earth - Classification and Extinction



Social Studies:

People, Past Events and Societies - The Industrial Revolution



Technologies:

Electronic Communications



Expressive Arts:

Art and Design - Art Illusions



Music - Classroom Jazz



Primary 6/7 Focus For Learning: Modern Languages

Spanish

Primary 6:

- Numbers to 50
- Greetings
- Hail Mary in Spanish

Primary 7:

- Numbers to 100
- Date and weather in Spanish



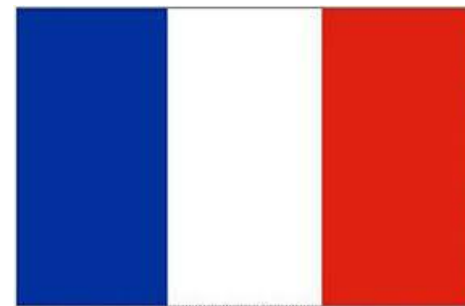
French

Primary 6:

- Months of the Year
- Months of the Year Song
- Register

Primary 7:

- Revise numbers 0-20
- Ask and say "how are you?"



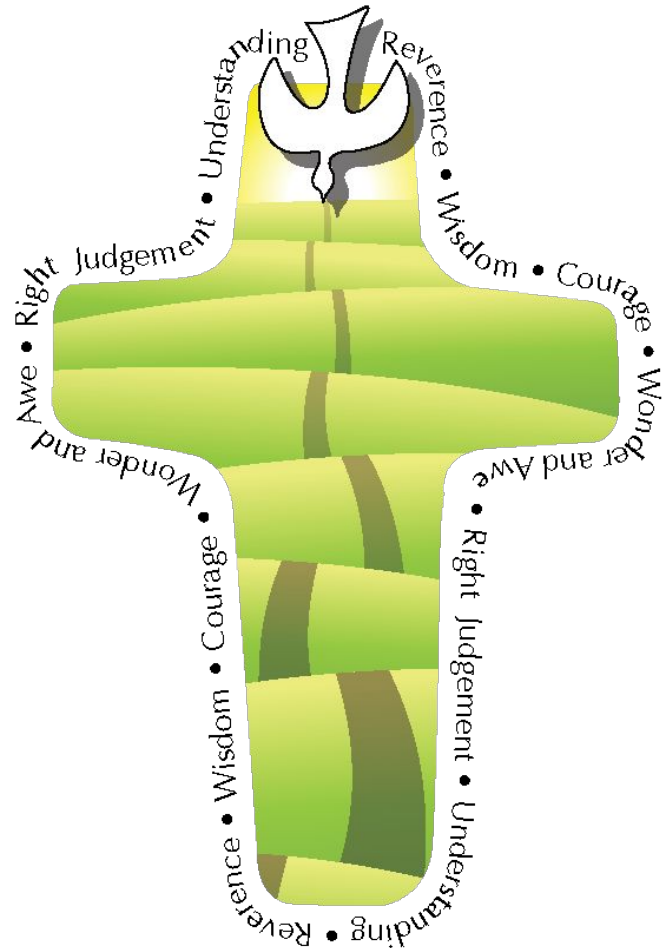
Primary 6/7 Term 1 Focus For Learning: Religious Education

Primary 6

- The Israelites
- Why is there suffering?
- Pope Francis Faith Award (PFFA)
- Pope Francis Faith Award Enrolment Service
- Prayer of the Intercession to Mary
- The Story of Fatima
- The Sorrowful Mysteries
- PFFA Gathering Point 1: Seven Gifts of the Spirit

Primary 7

- Sacrament of Confirmation preparation
- PFFA Gathering Point 7: Monastic Communities
- PFFA Gathering Point 8: Understanding
- The Holy Spirit - Seven Gifts
- God versus Science
- Covenants and Right Judgment
- The Assumption
- The Luminous Mysteries



Primary 6/7 Homework & Key Dates

Homework

Each month, your child will receive a homework grid through our P6/7 Teams. Allocated homework will include Literacy, Numeracy, Health & Wellbeing, Religious Education and Topic activities. Homework evidence can be uploaded to the P6/7 Team via Assignments.

Key Dates

- Meet the Teacher: Thursday 1st September
- Holidays: Friday 23rd and Monday 26th September
- Parents Evening: Thursday 13th October
- Celebration of Success: Friday 14th October
- School Disco: Thursday 27th October
- P7 Confirmation: Tuesday 22nd November