

### Launch Day (Frozen Kingdom)

Many thanks to Mrs Wood, who likes to write Escape Room puzzles. Our Launch into our new topic will be a combination of being a passenger escaping the sinking ship, a researcher finding out more about the Titanic and a luxury dining experience with Mrs Mellor. What a great way to prepare for writing our own adventure!

### Landing Day (Frozen Kingdom)

We will be creating an art gallery to showcase our knowledge of Inuit artists and how they depict the Arctic areas and to show how skills have been developed. We would like to invite you to an open-air gallery on Thursday 10th February 2022. The gallery will be open from 2-3pm and should take about 20 minutes to enjoy. You can look at sketchbooks and be shown around by our Y6 curators! **This is weather-dependent and may be subject to change!**

### Art

During the next half-term, we will be looking at a range of techniques such as stenciling, soap-carving and painting to replicate the work of Inuit artists and those inspired by the polar regions, in particular Nerys Levy as well as paintings of the Northern Lights.

### Music

Music is taught by Mr Stanton and his team. The children will continue to work on their listening and singing skills, as well as exploring some new tuned and un-tuned instruments.

### French

The children will learn vocabulary for a range of jobs and be able to say what they would like to do in the future. After half term, the children will learn to explain what types of music they like/don't like as well as which instruments they play.

### PE

PE will be on Wednesday and Friday, this year. Children will need a full PE kit in school on these days. Indoors (Friday) we'll be learning badminton skills, whilst outdoors (Wednesday) we'll be practicing outdoor adventurous activities such as team problem solving and orienteering.

### Computing

In computing this term, we will be honing our spreadsheet skills using the excellent resource, Purple Mash. The children will explore their maths skills through this work also, using their self-designed spreadsheets to gather data, work on probability and build graphs and charts.

## Year 6 Curriculum Matters

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede:  
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## Welcome to the Lent Term 2022!

Dear Parents/Carers and pupils,

Welcome to the Lent term. We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas break and managed to celebrate with family around you. For those who have been ill, we hope you have fully recovered and for those who are off; we wish you a speedy recovery.

We would like to officially welcome Mrs Stimpson to our Year 6. Mrs Stimpson is an old friend of ours from Foundation and is now in 6NS in the afternoons which is brilliant.

### Homework

The new regime for homework has been a massive success. It is still given out on a Friday and is to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. The impact of pupils completing this two-fold; they are becoming increasingly independent and secondary-ready AND they are showing progress in areas such as spelling, taking delight in improved results. If your child is not participating in this regularly, now is a good time to help them create a new habit.

Please continue to encourage your child to **read**, for at least 15 minutes a day. This is to be recorded in the **Reading journals** we are issuing at the start of term (the children will be taught how to record in these) We would like to give out more dojos for journal entries this term so we will double up the dojo payment for journaling!

### RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:

#### Sources

During this first topic, we will be looking at the 'Big Question': Are books enriching?

#### Unity

The Unity topic focuses on the Last Supper and its connection with the Eucharist.

#### Death and New Life

During this, our Lenten topic, we will explore how we can die to sin and begin a new life in Christ.

### Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: decimals, percentages, algebra, measure (perimeter and volume) and ratio.

Within each unit, children will develop their Fluency, Reasoning and then Problem Solving skills.

Please encourage your child to practice these skills from their weekly Maths homework and to use TTRockstars to aid speed in arithmetic.

### Science

In science, children will learn about animals and their habitats. They will learn about classification and different eco-systems. We will then move on to studying 'Evolution and Inheritance', looking at the work of Charles Darwin and learning how genetic traits are passed on.

### English

The main areas to be covered in English are as follows: adventure story writing, diary writing, non-fiction and instructional writing. Please note that Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar are taught throughout each unit of work.

### Topic

This term, we are exploring Frozen Kingdoms. Initially, we will study the history of the Titanic, moving on to the geography of the polar regions and looking more deeply at the earliest polar explorers, such as Shackleton, Scott and Amundsen.