

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC ACADEMY • BOUNDARY ROAD • NEWARK • NOTTS • NG24 4AU UKS2: YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 CLASS & CURRICULUM OVERVIEW • LENT TERM 2022

Our School Mission Statement: 'In every child there is a space that only God can fill...' St Thomas Aquinas

Diary Dates:

10.2.2022

Term 3 Ends

21.2.2022

Term 4 Begins

1.3.2022

Parent's Evening @ 4:30pm—7:00pm TBC

2.3.2022

Parent's Evening @ 3:30pm—6:00pm TBC

W/B: 28.3.2022

Easter Liturgies led by UKS2 TBC

1.4.2022

Term 4 Ends

Home & School Links

A very warm welcome back to the new Lent term in Upper Key Stage Two: Year 5 & Year 6. The children in UKS2 will be taught by Mr Murfin in Year 5/6M, Mr Westerman in Year 5/6W and Miss Gilkes in Year 5D. Our Teaching Assistants in UKS2 are Mrs Duckmanton, Mrs Bunkle & Mrs Lowther. We hope that we will get the chance to see you regularly throughout the year so that you can share in your child's learning journey. If you have any questions please feel free to message us via Class Dojo. Alternatively, you can email us using the contact details below. You can also keep up with what Year 5 and Year 6 are doing by following us on Twitter. See the contact information below for further details.

Homework & Reading Books

In UKS2 our homework is given out on Monday and is due back to school no later than the following Monday. It will normally consist of one piece of creative work based on our current learning. Spellings will also be given out each Monday and tested the following week. Practising times tables and completing IXL objectives will also help in all areas of your child's maths work. Reading is such a valuable life skill and is also relevant across all subjects within school. Regular practise really does make a huge difference to reading ability, as does talking about what has been read with someone at home too. Please try to ensure your child reads at home for at least 15 minutes each night and gets their home/school diary signed 3 times per week.

As part of our curriculum UKS2 children will have PE sessions twice per week on Monday and Tuesday. PE sessions are an important part of the curriculum so it is vital that the children have the appropriate kit in order to take part properly. On PE days children will need to attend school in their kit. A tracksuit can be worn in cooler weather. Earrings must be removed.

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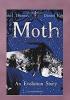


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Our Curriculum theme for the Lent Term at Holy Trinity Catholic Academy is: Lives & Community







A selection of our UKS2 Study Books

Religious Education

In Come & See, we will focus on three topics during the Lent term: Mission, Memorial Sacrifice and Sacrifice. During these topics the children will have opportunities to explore the scriptures in depth, which will encourage a deeper understanding of our Catholic faith and other religions.

Regular class liturgies for collective worship will also take place which will encourage children to be independent in their learning of what it means to be ourselves as created in God's image. We will explore the importance of vocations within our faith and how we become part of God's family.

The children will becoming 'scripture detectives' on a weekly basis, where they will investigate a piece of scripture and explain the themes.

English & Mathematics

In English this term the children will be investigating a range of different text types. Within each unit the children will study a variety of different skills. Each unit will end with an opportunity to produce a piece of independent extended writing. Separate to the English lessons, the children will also be taught through whole class modelled reading sessions. Our spelling objectives will be met through the teaching of the RWI Get Spelling Programme in Key Stage 2.

The children will take part in daily Maths sessions, which will develop their mental and written maths skills. Each unit will provide many varied opportunities provided to extend their knowledge. Children will be given the chance to explore 'real-life' problem solving and develop their mathematical reasoning skills throughout their work. The children will be taught a range of arithmetic strategies including using times tables up to 12x12, finding a fraction or % of a quantity and rounding to 1 million.

Curriculum Focus

In History this term we will be investigating the question, 'Who were the Mayans?' We will look at where they lived, what they did and how the became king of their city-states. We will also be looking at how they believed in over 30 gods! Our Science work will be based on human geography (rocks and minerals) and evolution and adaptation we will be creating our own hypotheses, collecting useful data based on our studies and analysing the results we find to reach a scientific conclusion.

In our art sessions we will be using our printing skills and making links to our Maya topic looking at face masks and inscriptions. We will be having a Music day later in the term which will be focused on the skills of listening and composition.

Finally, in Computing we will be reminding ourselves of the uses of technology within our lives and use this to record and publish results.

Physical Education

The PE units for UKS2: Year Five & Year Six will include basketball and circuit training. In the second half term, we will also begin swimming on Mondays.

Further details will follow in due course.

PSHE/British Values

Our focus for PSHE this term will be Community, Relating & Giving and as part of our work we will celebrate the work of our community in aspirations week and look at what we can aspire towards.