



# Curriculum Information for Parents

## Spring Term 2

Year

6

### Literacy and Maths

**Literacy:** The non-negotiables will be taught for Year 6 throughout Topic Time. Writing opportunities will be linked to the topics and the children will produce a variety of different outcomes such as persuasive adverts and extended narratives. Related punctuation and grammar will be taught alongside the writing activities.

Every child will have an age-related reading book provided from school, please support your child's reading and write in the planner every time they have read and sign.

**Numeracy:** The focus will be on area of a triangle and parallelogram, volume and ratio.

### Topics

#### Week 1: Global Citizenship/Perspective

This topic will teach the children about Fairtrade and why it is important, the global perspective towards tackling environmental issues and how our actions have global consequences.

#### Week 2 & 3: Planes, Trains & Automobiles

During this History topic, the class will look at how transport has changed since the Industrial Revolution, changes that have occurred locally and famous inventors who have helped develop transport.

#### Week 4 & 5: Could You Be the Next Nintendo Apprentice?

In this Science topic, the children will look at the main components of a circuit, symbols used to draw circuit diagrams and complete investigations on the brightness of a bulb.

#### Week 6: You've Got a Friend

During this Music topic, the children will use garage band to improvise and compose music and recognise great artists and composers, particularly within the relevant genres.

#### Week 7: Linking Christianity and Judaism

This RE topic allows the children to look at the similarities and differences between Christianity and Judaism, Passover and the Exodus.

### Religious Education

The children will take part in an RE lesson every Thursday afternoon. This half term our Christian value is service. The children also have an RE topic this half term where they will explore the similarities and differences between Christianity and Judaism.

### Physical Education

Year 6 will take part in 2 PE lessons each week, on Monday and Thursday. On Mondays we will be doing tennis and on Thursdays, we will be doing OAA (orienteering).

### Computing

They will be focusing on coding using Purple Mash, Word processing, PowerPoints and using the IPADS for numeracy and topic, where appropriate.

### Home Learning and Other Relevant Information

At St Thomas' we value the link between home and school and we recognise parental support is vital to a child's progress and education. Encourage your child to complete our 9 Grid Homework every week, this will be checked alongside the planner on a Friday and will need an adult's signature, weekly. Use the resources provided on the Year 6 website page to do extra learning on our topics. Spellings will be tested on Fridays. Weekly booster homework (SPaG, Reading and Numeracy) will be handed out – please support your child with this SATs preparation. Your child needs to wear full PE kit for indoor and outdoor PE on Mondays and Thursdays. Come to school in full PE kit. Black pumps should be brought in and kept in school, in a drawstring bag on your child's peg.