

# St Barnabas & St Philip's

## CE Primary School



## Spring Term 2022

Dear Parents and Carers, welcome back!

Thank you so much for your Christmas cards and gifts and good wishes for the New Year! I hope you all had a restful break.

### Key Dates for your diaries

4<sup>th</sup> January – INSET day

5<sup>th</sup> January – Pupils back at school

12<sup>th</sup> January – Visit to Kensington Palace

1<sup>st</sup> February – Visit to Kensington High Street

14<sup>th</sup> February – 18<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term

25<sup>th</sup> March – Academic Review Day

1<sup>st</sup> April – End of Term

**Literacy:** The Spring term starts with poetry on a theme by studying some key poems in T.S. Eliot's 'Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats'. This will be followed by a study of Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet'. The half term will conclude with non-fictional travel writing. The second half of term topics are stories set in faraway places, writing arguments and debates and another poetry unit using the anthology, 'I Like This Poem'. Spelling lessons on Tuesdays will continue, followed by home learning and Friday tests.

**Maths:** This term we will continue to follow the White Rose maths scheme, focusing on multiplication and division and both mental and formal written methods with these operations. We will then move on to fractions, including mixed numbers, decimals and percentages, and the relationship between these. We will continue to work on mental arithmetic in our starters to lessons and times tables knowledge and related multiplication and division facts in home learning and Friday tests.

**Science:** This term's topic is Properties and Changes of Materials, which will include comparing, classifying and evaluating different materials, using knowledge of solids, liquids and gases to separate materials and developing scientific skills, including carrying out fair tests.

**Computing:** This term in computing, pupils will be learning to use publishing software (PowerPoint), stop frame animations and Microsoft excel for using formulae in spreadsheets.

**Humanities:** This first half term's topic is continuing from the last half term with a study of our local borough, but from a geographical rather than historical perspective. The focus of the second part of the term will be the geography topic 'Rivers', which will include the water cycle and understanding of the journey of a river from source to mouth.

**RE:** The RE curriculum focus for the first half term will be Islam which will develop an understanding of the practices and values of the Muslim faith through learning about the five pillars of Islam. The second half of term will focus on monastic traditions within Christianity as well as what happens in churches at Easter.

**Music:** The children will be continue learning the violin and cello working with Ms Sato.

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**PE:** This half term the children will be focusing on gymnastics. After half term, we will be working on our net and wall skills. Please remember that children are to wear their PE kits on PE days, not school uniform.

**Art /DT:** Our art topic in the first half term is 'Objects and Meanings'. The children will be asked to observe a variety of visually interesting objects, discuss their qualities and arrange them in a still life composition. The second half term is a DT unit where we plan and make a soft sculpture which will be related to our Geography topic on 'Rivers'.

**PSHE:** In PSHE, the first half term will be the Chelsea Football Social Action Program, 'Say No to Hate' led by a tutor that the children know from PSHE and PE in Term One. Our focus in the second half term will be the Jigsaw unit, 'Dreams and Goals' where we will discuss some of our future goals and dreams and think about how positive attitudes can effect these.

<b>Monday 8.45 Staff Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday 8.45 Staff Meeting</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday 8.45 Staff Meeting</b>
<b>8.55 – 9.05 Sanitise hands/Registration</b>	<b>8.55 – 9.05 Sanitise hands/Registration</b>	<b>8.55 – 9.05 Sanitise hands/Registration</b>	<b>8.55 – 9.05 Sanitise hands/Registration</b>	<b>8.55 – 9.05 Sanitise hands/Registration</b>
9.05 – 10.05 English	9.05 – 10.05 PE-Hall	9.05-9.15 Worship	9.05 – 9.30 Whole school Worship/Class worship	9.05 – 9.30 Whole school Worship/Class worship
10.05 – 11.10 Maths	10.05 – 11.10 Maths	9.15-10.15 PSHE –Social Action Program 'Say no to Hate'	9.30 – 10.20 Maths	9.30 – 10.20 English
		10.15-11.10 Maths	10.20 – 11.10 English	10.20 – 11.10 Maths
<b>11.10 – 11.30 Break</b>				
11.30 - 12.15 Computing/Library RFP	11.30-12.30 English	11.30 – 12.30 English	11.30 – 12.00 Destination Reader	11.30 –12.00 Destination Reader
12.15-1.00 Computing/ Library RFP	12.30-1.00 Destination Reader	12.30-1.00 Destination Reader	12.00-1.00 RE	12.00-12.30 Handwriting Lesson
				12.30-1.00 Spelling test/Times Tables test
<b>1.00-1.50 Lunch</b>				
1.50- 2.30 Destination Reader	1.50-2.30 Science	1.50-2.50 Humanities	1.50-2.40 Science	1.50 –2.30 PE
<b>2.30 – 3.20</b> KS2 Assembly Singing Practice	2.30-3.00 Spelling Lesson	<b>2:50-3:30</b> French	2.40-3.30 Art/DT	<b>2.30 – 3.20</b> Music
3.20 – 3.30 Dismiss	3.00-3.30 Class story			Cello and violin in hall
				dismiss from class