



St Sebastian's Primary School Newsletter

Yearly Newsletter

GIRAFFES Year 6

Welcome to Giraffe's Class!

It's going to be a pleasure to welcome the new year 6's into my class for what will be an exciting year of learning!

Thanks to all the parents and carers who will be helping with homework projects and reading with the children every night and supporting in general—it makes a big difference!

As it is the children's final year at St Sebastian's we plan to make it a good one and give the children everything they need to make the transition to secondary.

If any parent or carer would like to speak to me about anything at all I am always available, just email the office or call the school to arrange a time, it doesn't have to be parents evening to



What's happening in Autumn Term?

In Art we will be looking at drawing, studying different artists including the work of Käthe Kollwitz.

For our Geography topic we will be finding out all about Cromer and the surrounding coastal area to support this years residential.

In History lessons we will be focusing on World War 2 and specifically the Battle of Britain, what England was like during the war and the run up to important events.

In Maths, we will mainly be focusing on place value, arithmetic and basic number operations and fractions, decimals and measurements.

In Science we will be learning about the human body, the organs and how the different parts of the body work.

What's happening in Spring Term?

In History lessons we will continue to focus on World War 2 but now we will be concentrating on what Grantham and the local area was like during wartime.

For our Geography topic we will be finding out all about how mountains are formed and identifying the different features of mountains.

In Science we will be learning about light and electricity.

In R.E. we will be learning about Creation and Science and thinking about the impact of ideas and how these shape the world?

In Computing we will be looking at e-safety, and using spreadsheets to solve different problems.

What's happening in Summer Term?

In History lessons we will continue to focus on World War 2 and thinking about how the local area has changed since 1948.

In Maths, we will mainly be focusing on aspects of shape, space and measure.

In R.E. we will be learning about what life journeys mean in Hinduism and Islam.

In Computing we will be looking at e-safety, and creating our own apps and programs with coding lessons using purple mash

In English this term we will be writing lots of different text types from a range of different genres starting with adventure stories!

PE

Our P.E. topics this Year include: *swimming, netball, dodgeball, gymnastics, volleyball, football, climbing frame, athletics, cricket, OAA (team building exercises and rounders)*

Please note, swimming will start in the Autumn term and run through till spring. Ensure that the children have the necessary swimming equipment, including a swimming cap.

P.E. is on Friday and swimming on Wednesday until swimming ends. Swimming commences on the 10.9.25

Reading Books

At the beginning of the year, every child's reading level was assessed using Accelerated Reader. Your child should have already brought a reading book home that matches their newly assessed level. When the children finish reading a book they can then take a quiz in school to check their understanding of the book. Because the children's book should be matched to their reading and comprehension skills, as long as they have read it carefully they should be able to progress through the levels and onto more challenging reading material.

Please remember to listen to your child read every night for 10-15 minutes. Even though they are now in Key Stage 2, this will make a huge difference to their progress in reading.

Progress in reading means that learning is easier in all lessons! Reading is key to success in this year and beyond to secondary.

Homework

The first priority for the children should be reading every night.

The children also have weekly spelling homework digitally on Edshed (Spelling Shed), and some may have weekly Times Table Rockstars.

Each term your children should have a 'Homework Bingo' grid with a range of homework activities, this can be found on the school website. Please complete one homework project each fortnight and hand it in on the dates at the top of the sheet. Your child can still bring in any homework crafts, projects etc that they have done at home as we love to see them! Your child will be asked to place them on display for everyone to see but not touch. You can always email photos into school of any homework projects or works in progress.

Rewards

This year, we are excited to continue celebrating our pupils' efforts, progress and achievements in a range of fun and motivating ways. Children can earn *Values Points* for showing our school's core values, with special rewards given at every 25-point milestone. Pupils will also collect *Class Credits* which contribute towards access to an exclusive class reward when they reach 100.

Website

Link to class page

Our website contains a wealth of information that you may find helpful.

On your child's class page, you can find:

- Homework grids
- Knowledge organisers
- Photo updates
- Spellings

On our main website, you can find information about our:

- Policies and reports
- Term dates
- Newsletters
- School information
- School meals
- SEND

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