

## Reading

Unfortunately, Class Trinovantes are not achieving 100% of the class reading 5 times a week. It is the school's expectation that children read 5 times a week at home and have their reading record signed by a parent. Historically, we know that children who meet this expectation make accelerated progress. As well as fiction books it also important that children read non-fiction books and articles as well. When reading with your children please encourage them to ask what words might mean that they are not sure of and use a dictionary to find out the meaning. As well as reading with you children it is also important to ask them about the plot, characters, settings and language used in the text.

## Writing

The children will be studying tales from other cultures, persuasive writing and chronological reports. In poetry, they will look at classic poems and will create their own poem. Through our topic 'Ancient Greece', the children will look at Aesop fables, Greek myths by Marcia Williams and will have the opportunity to create their own comic strips. The children will look at the Greek Philosopher Aristotle and create a biography on him. The children will be revising everything taught so far in their grammar lessons and will be revising spelling techniques ready for their Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar test.

## Mathematics

The children will start the assessment period by revising for their KS2 SATs: number; place value; addition; subtraction; multiplication; division; fractions; decimals; percentages; ratio; scaling; shapes; measures; statistics and algebra. After their SATs, the children will look at maths in art and nature; the history of maths and maths investigations and games. Knowledge of times tables is absolutely crucial and your child must practise their times tables every day. Any work that your child can do at home on this will be incredibly beneficial. The children enjoy using active learn to aid their learning and this can be accessed at home via the following website. <http://www.numbergym.co.uk/> They can also use the website <http://www.coolmath4kids.com/> to revise learning.

## Trips and Visits

As part of the science topic, the children will get to go to Cudmore Grove where they will learn a series of survival skills.

## R.E

For this assessment period, the children will be looking at what is sacred to Sikhs and comparing Holy books in different religions. They will then move on to looking at how Buddhists live their lives and their devotional practises.

## Design & Technology

Through DT, the children will get the chance to create a variety of models using different materials. They will get to make pots through clay and will get to decorate using Greek symbols. The children will get a chance to practise their weaving skills and will create their own chiton out of a bed sheet. The children will also take part in a Greek feast where they will make their own soup, bread and honey pancakes.

## Science

The children are going to start the assessment period by looking at Animals including Humans. They will look at the structure of the heart, what double circulation means, the structure and functions of the lungs and blood, the effect of exercise on pulse rate and how to stay healthy.

## Geography / History

Part of the national curriculum is that children should be taught about Ancient Greece and their influence on the Western role. We will look at the first every Olympic Games which will link to our end of year production 'Go for Gold.' The children will study the Greek Empire and what children studied at school. They will look at different roles within the household and the importance of trade. We will look at Greek art and architecture which gives the children plenty of opportunities to create their own Greek buildings.

**Practise** As you know, homework has changed this academic year. Instead of weekly homework your child will be practising skills learnt previously that day at 3pm. However, your child still needs to practise their spellings and timetables every day. As their SATs become close, I will set some practise sheets for them to do at home.

I will be out on the playground at the beginning and end of the school day. If you would like a longer discussion with the teacher please make an appointment at the school office. There are regular Open Mornings and Open School Afternoons for you to experience parts of the school day at both our sites.

## Computing

As well as in class use of laptops and iPads, the children will be learning how to research safely and will have a series of internet safety lessons.

## Languages

In Year 6, children will be continuing to learn Spanish.

## Physical Education

PE Days are Monday (Tennis & cricket) and Thursdays (Athletics). Your child needs a full PE Kit labelled in a PE bag to keep at school on their peg. As it is summer term they need their summer P.E kit – shorts, team polo shirt and trainers/plimsolls. The children will learn to work alone, in pairs and in teams and how to follow rules fairly. They will learn how to catch and strike a ball and through jumping, will learn to control landings and take offs.

## Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education

Our Core Values are on display around the school and we encourage our school community of pupils, parents, staff, governors and visitors to live these values.

The children will be having weekly PSHE lessons and have got targets that will change termly. Their targets for this assessment period are:

- \* Become fully involved in clubs or groups.
- \* Continue to practise even when accomplished.
- \* Give full concentration
- \* Listen to others who encourage and help, thanking them for their advice.
- \* Show a willingness to be wrong.
- \* Clearly identify own strengths.
- \* Listen first to others before trying to be understood.
- \* Reflect upon the reasons for failures and find ways to bounce back

## Clubs

Look out for clubs advertised in the school newsletter. Our website [www.st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk](http://www.st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk) and Twitter feed @SJG\_News give more information and upcoming events.

# Year 6 Curriculum Leaflet for Assessment Period 3 – March 2017

## St John's Green Primary School



*Learn to Live, Live to Learn*

Teacher: Miss Pickard

Learning Support Assistant: Mr Macknight

Theme: Ancient Greece



Our Core Values:

Be Happy

Care for yourself and one another

Be Inquisitive – ask questions

Don't give up – Persevere

Be Successful

Always try to do your Best