

CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to St Charles and 1A. I hope you had a lovely Easter holiday and have enjoyed the break. Please read the following carefully, as it outlines the key routines and has important information regarding your child.

Attached is a copy of your child's topic map for this term. The topic for 1A is "Jungles".

• Homework will be set twice a week

Maths and phonics/grammar will be given out on a **Friday** which is due back on the following **Friday**. This homework is marked and kept in your child's folder. If there are any difficulties or issues arising from this homework do let me know.

Spellings/sentences will be given out on a **Monday**. Spellings need to be completed by the following **Friday** for your child's spelling test. Marks for their test will be in their red spelling book for you to see on Monday when their new spelling homework is set.

This work will be explained to your child however it is important that you supervise them while they are doing it, drawing attention to handwriting and spelling. Each piece of work should take no longer than 30 minutes. Advice for completing spelling homework will be outlined on the inside cover of your child's red spelling book.

Reading

Reading every night is also part of your child's weekly homework. Your child will be issued with a reading folder, books and a yellow reading record. It is important that your child brings these items to school daily and is responsible for their safekeeping throughout the year. Please listen to and read with your child every night and sign their yellow reading record. Folders must be brought in everyday and new books will be issued every Friday.

Physical education

PE will take place every **Thursday**. Please ensure your child has a white St Charles t-shirt, navy shorts/tracksuit bottoms and Velcro/slip on plimsoles or trainers. Please clearly label each item with your child's name.

Music - Contrasts and Musical Devices

Children will learn to sing songs with increasing control and use the voice expressively, through a variety of singing songs and games. They will revisit the terms rhythm, pitch, dynamics, timbre and melody showing their understanding through songs. Musical devices will be explored through imitation, sequences, riffs and drones.

Uniform

Please ensure full school uniform is always worn and is clearly labelled with your child's name as well as any equipment your child may bring in.

Morning and Home time

School starts at 9' o'clock with children expected to be in their class from 8:50 to 9 o'clock.

If somebody else will be picking your child up, please ensure you have called the office or notified the teacher beforehand. We will not be able to dismiss your child without this information.

Please also remember that for health and safety and child safe guarding reasons once you have collected your child it is important to leave the site as quickly as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns, please either call the school office or speak with me at the end of the school day.

Best Wishes,

Ms Mai 1A Class Teacher