



ST. MARY MAGDALENE

C OF E SCHOOL

PENINSULA CAMPUS

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Friday 25th April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter holiday, we hope you were able to have a good rest.

Our themes during the summer are: 'Acorn to oak tree' and 'Wherever you will go'.

We will be covering all areas of learning through our topics. In the first half of the term, We will be learning about everything we find in our garden including the different things that grow and the insects that live there. We will also be exploring life cycles and parts of plants. Our focus Text will be A variety of Mini beast fact files. As we head into our final half term in reception, we will be thinking about transport and different journeys we can go on (including moving to year 1!), reading the text Barney goes to the moon. In RE our big questions are 'what makes Jesus special?' and 'Who cares for our special world?'.

P.E takes place on Wednesday. It is essential that your child brings their full PE kit to school on a **Wednesday**. Please ensure your child has a white T-shirt, black/dark shorts, jogging bottoms as well as trainers or plimsolls and a tracksuit top as we will still be doing outdoor PE even if it is cold. Make sure any P.E. kit, school uniform and other items are **clearly labelled with your child's name**. Please understand that we cannot keep track of all the items that belong to all the pupils in the class so your labelling their belongings will help them come back to your child quickly if they are misplaced. Please note that for your own child's welfare, hooped earrings are not to be worn. Only studs are allowed as stated in the school prospectus.

We change the children's reading books every **Wednesday**. Your child will take home a phonics book which matches what they are learning in school as well as a pleasure for reading book which we encourage parents to read with their child, to share a love of reading. Your child will receive a tick for their reading bookmark. Once your child has collected 12 ticks, they will receive a special reading certificate in collective worship. We suggest that you listen to your child read at least **three times a week**, this will vastly improve their reading and writing skills. Each time you read with your child, please make sure you sign their reading record – **If you do not sign your child's reading record we will assume that you have not read the book**. In the case of a lost reading record there will be a cost of £1 to replace it. If you lose or damage a school reading book there will be a £6 cost to replace it.

If you have any queries or concerns, please come and speak to us after school. Alternatively, you can write to us via Tapestry or make an appointment at the office, if you wish to have a longer or more private discussion.

I look forward to your support while continuing to work with your child and helping them get the most from their second term in school.

Kind regards,

Miss Baptiste

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