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Friday 23rd September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to welcome you all back from the summer break. I hope you all enjoyed the holidays and are well rested and that you are your children a ready for another exciting academic year at St Mary Magdalene's.

This term's core book will be '**Grace and Family**' by Mary Hoffman. This will be linked to our theme of World Foods. We will be covering a range of cross curricular subjects within this topic.

World Kitchen Autumn 1			
Science	Materials and their properties	RE	Judaism
Geography	Comparing countries	DT	Jollof Rice
PE	Dance and Bat and Ball Skills		

The second half term we will be reading **The Hodgeheg** by Dick King-Smith and our theme will be 'Night Creatures'. We will be covering the following subjects:

Night Creatures Autumn 2			
Science	Plants	RE	Christianity
History/Geography	Local area and history of the area	Art	Sketching
PE	Indoor games, gym and invasion games		

We will also have weekly computing, music and PHSE lessons. Our PE days will be on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays**. Therefore, it is imperative that the children have the correct PE kit on these days. It is advisable that your child brings a clean PE kit into school on Monday at the latest and takes it home on Wednesday as it may need to be washed.

PE kits must include a white t-shirt, shorts and jogging bottoms, a jumper or a fleece and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. Also, it is very important that all of the PE kit is **clearly named** including the bag it is in.

Reading

It is very important that your child reads to you as often as possible, preferably a minimum of 5 times a week for 5-10 minutes at least. Please acknowledge that they have read to you by signing their reading records. Your child should bring their book into school daily. We will be checking reading records every week.

Homework

Homework is set as a half termly menu with options to complete various activities, as well as maths work set periodically. Homework books will be collected on a Wednesday and returned on a Friday. Please support your child in producing high-quality, well presented pieces of work that they should be proud of.

Spelling lists have been given out and are available on the website. Children will mainly be tested on Mondays. (Some Tuesdays owing to INSETs, bank holidays etc.) Please read the words with the children and encourage them to write the words from memory as you call them

Thank you in advance for all your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Mattin, Ms Okungbowa and Miss Haque.

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