

## DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Mrs Dayo Ajayi

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene – Peninsula Campus. My name is Miss Baptiste and I am excited to be teaching and working with Stephens Class this year. The Stephens class team also consists of Miss Harper, the teaching assistant. We hope you and your child are looking forward to the year ahead as much as we are.

Our learning this term will be focussing on our core text 'Where's my Teddy' by Jez Alborough. Next half term we will be focussing on different fairy tales, in particular 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. These core texts will form part of the teaching and learning alongside the National Curriculum.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
RE	Hinduism – Who are Hindus and what do they believe?	Christianity – Nativity Characters
Science	Animals including Humans	Plants- Growing Beans

P.E. takes place on Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure your child brings their full PE kit to school on a Monday and that it remains in school until Friday when it needs to be taken home for washing. Please ensure your child has a white t-shirt, black/dark shorts and jogging bottoms as well as trainers or plimsolls and a tracksuit top. Make sure both PE kit and school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name. The children are responsible for their own clothes. Please note for your own child's welfare, hooped earrings are not to be worn. Only studs are allowed as stated in the school prospectus.

The staff will change the children's reading books twice a week on Tuesday and Friday. Please read with them and write in the reading record when you have done so. Children will receive stickers on a special bookmark for their reading and at the end of each term, the child who has read the most books from our class will receive a prize. If your child loses their reading record they will be asked to bring in £1.00 to pay for a replacement. If your child loses their reading book, they will be asked to bring in £5.00 to buy a replacement. Homework will be in the form of a half-termly homework menu which will be handed out on Monday. Children can choose the activities they complete and will receive 10 housepoints for every task completed. Children can submit pieces of homework at any time. Children will also receive spellings which will be sent out every Monday and tested on the following Monday. Spelling scores will be handed out every Wednesday. You can also view recommended books for the year group on the website.

We are always available and glad to speak with you if you have any concerns or issues that you wish to discuss. Alternatively, you can make an appointment at the office.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Kind regards,

Miss Baptiste & Miss Harper

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