



**ST. MARY MAGDALENE**

**C OF E SCHOOL**

**PENINSULA CAMPUS**

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Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

It's here! Can you believe it? Summer Term – and it is flying by already. Hopefully the weather will be heating up again very soon. On that note, could you please provide your child with a plastic water bottle (preferably with a sports lid) that they can bring to school daily. To encourage good health and hygiene, we encourage children to take the bottles home each night to wash and refill with fresh water. Research shows that children who are sufficiently hydrated are more focused, think clearly and are more productive.

**Who were the Ancient Greeks?** Is the theme for this half term and will be the stimulus for all our learning. Our theme links with a variety of books and well-known websites, through exploring these we will create our own Greek Myths, write the adventure story of Theseus & the Minotaur and learn about the life of the ancient Greeks. Mathematics will follow the White Rose program; focusing on Number-decimals; Geometry- Properties of shapes; position and direction; Measurement- converting units and Measures- volume. Science will involve learning about Properties of materials, where we will be planning and carrying out investigations, while in R.E. we will explore Buddhism, specifically What is the Buddhist way of life. For Outdoor PE it is athletics and Indoor it will be circuits and badminton.

**In Summer 2**, our learning will revolve around the core theme of the **Tudors**, looking at the story of MacBeth and writing our own rhyming poetry inspired by the Witches' poem. For Outdoor PE it is OAA/Games and Indoor it will be basketball.

Children must wear the appropriate PE kit for indoor and outdoor lessons- this is a **white t- shirt and black/ Navy bottoms**. Please ensure that PE kits are appropriate for PE lessons in school and only these colours are worn. Please make sure your child's clothes and shoes are all labeled and remind your child they are responsible for their own clothes. Can the girls also remember to NOT wear earrings on these days. No other jewellery should be worn to school.

**Spelling tests** will be completed on a **Friday afternoon**. If your child has lost their list you may obtain another one from the school website.

Reading takes place daily in the classroom and books are changed regularly so please ensure your child brings their reading records and reading books to school every day. Please encourage your child to read for at least 15 minutes each day at home and record it in their reading records. Lost reading records and books will incur a charge.

Trips will be organised and details will be sent nearer the time. As always we need parent volunteers in order for these trips to take place; we will try to give you as much notice as possible. As you are aware some children will not be able to attend these trips if their behaviour is deemed as unacceptable but we will always make sure you are aware of this before the trip takes place.

If you wish to contact us regarding your child's education please make an appointment via the office. I am usually available after school or before 8.30 a.m. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Miss Jewell and Mrs Rodriguez

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