

FEDERATION EXECUTIVE CO-HEADTEACHERS

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year! It is lovely to welcome you and your children back to St Mary Magdalene – I hope you had a restful and enjoyable break.

This half term we are learning all about the environment and how we can care for it. Our core text is '10 things I can do to help my world'. Next half term we will be focussing on our core text 'Traction Man'. These core texts will form part of the teaching and learning alongside the National Curriculum.

	Spring 1	Spring 2
RE	Judaism – What is it like to live as a Jew?	Christianity – How do Easter symbols help us to understand the true meaning of Easter?
Science	Seasonal Changes	Plants

P.E. will take place on Tuesday 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.

The staff will continue to change the children's reading books twice a week on Tuesday and Friday. Please help us by reminding your child to put their reading books in the book box for changing on these days. Please continue to read with them and write in the reading record when you have done so. Children receive stickers on a special bookmark for their reading and certificates are awarded to children who have completed their bookmarks in Friday Collective Worship.

Homework will continue to be in the form of a homework menu and can be handed in at any time. Alongside this, please practise your child's spellings with them and allow them time to use Education City. Spellings tests will continue to take place on Monday mornings and you will receive the spelling scores by Wednesday at the latest. The new homework menu for this half term will be handed out during the first week back.

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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