



ST. MARY MAGDALENE

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PENINSULA CAMPUS

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Thursday 1st February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas break, we are excited to get back to doing some brilliant learning with your child.

During Spring one, our learning will be focusing around the topic 'Super Scientists'. This will involve the children doing lots of fun experiments and scientific investigations. In Literacy, we are learning the story 'The Magic Porridge Pot' to support our writing and In RE will be learning about the 'Creation Story'. During Spring two, our main topic will be 'Capes and Crowns'. Our learning will centre around fairy tales and superheroes, with our literacy focus being on 'The Three Little Pigs'. In RE we will be learning all about Easter. We will continue to have a big focus on phonics throughout this term so please support your child with this by continuing to read at home as well as completing the Little Wandle homework sheets & homework menus.

Physical Development takes place on Mondays and Wednesdays. It is essential that your child brings their full PE kit to school on a **Monday**. Please ensure your child has: a white T-shirt; black/dark shorts; jogging bottoms; and trainers or plimsolls. Make sure that 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 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 continue to change the children's reading books every **Wednesday**. Your child will take home a phonics book which matches what they are reading in school as well as a reading for pleasure 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 they 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.

Class teachers are not available to talk to in the mornings but if you have any queries or concerns, please write in your child's contact book or talk to us after school. If you wish to have a more private discussion, please make an appointment via the school office.

Your ongoing support is much appreciated,

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Kind Regards,

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