



St. George's Class Summer 1



Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

Welcome back to Summer Term 1! I am very excited to have returned from Easter to join the Year 4 class from Year 1. The children have been animatedly sharing their Easter adventures with me, and we are looking forward to the learning ahead. Chaplaincy have already inspired us by beginning to teach us how to sign the Hail Mary, in preparation for May – the Month of Mary.

This term's topic, Wet! Wet! Wet! will see the children take a journey through the geographical features of the Rivers, near and far, as well as exploring the Water Cycle in Science – I promise I did not order the weather to match our topic! As a class we will be finishing the Firework Maker's Daughter and will be starting The Last Bear by Hannah Gold, should you wish to loan a copy from the library, or purchase one for the children to use to read along with me.

We begin by celebrating the Liturgical season of Easter, and move on to reflect on the events of Pentecost. Should you wish to take some time to celebrate God's miraculous love, please join St. George's Class for Mass on Thursday 2nd May 2024 at 10am.

As we continue to learn and develop our confidence with our times table knowledge, your support and encouragement at home is greatly appreciated. If you haven't considered it already, maybe use the journey to and from school to play some times table songs. Singing can be a fun way for children to learn their times tables.

As Stewards of the Earth, we will be continuing to grow our seasonal garden knowledge, by planning next season's planting, and sharing the crops at our weekly plant sales on Fridays. We hope if the wind hasn't ruined them – to be selling bunches of tulips very soon. You may have noticed our amazing spring pots at the front of school which we planted in the autumn.

Whilst our Outdoor Learning will take us into the garden on Fridays – so **wellies** and **coats** are essential for this learning to take place – our REACH activity will be inside creating some new artwork for the hall. We are planning on using acrylic paints for this, so please can your child bring in an **old shirt** (perhaps one of yours/an older relatives for additional coverage) that they can keep in school for the term.

A few reminders:

- Summer Term 1 brings changeable weather, and options on uniform, either winter (shirts and tie) or summer (shorts and polos/summer dresses) full details of each uniform is available on the website. Please can you ensure all belongings are **clearly labelled** with your child's name.
- Please continue to encourage your children to read at home, as **5 reads** on different days across the week earns a reading point.
- Homework and spellings will continue to be set on a Friday, via Teams, to be submitted Wednesdays (spelling tests on Thursdays).

Should you have any questions or matters you wish to discuss, please do catch me on the playground at pick up, or email SLT@st-josephs.gloucs.sch.uk FAO Mrs Daly.

Kind regards

Mrs Daly