

St Mark's CE Primary School

'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'

Year 2 Newsletter

Spring 2

This half term we will extend our knowledge as historians. Our main question to explore is: 'Why did the Titanic sink?'

We will be using our questioning skills to learn more about Captain Edward John Smith who was in charge of the Titanic when it sank. Did you know that Captain Smith was born in Hanley?

English

As skilled writers, we will develop our expertise in writing stories. During lessons, we will be unpicking the class story 'The Voyage of the Titanic' and coming up with an alternative ending.

Other writing opportunities will include fact files and a postcard about the historical event.

Please encourage your child to do their own research at home about what their journey would have been like as a first/second/third class passenger.



Maths

This half term we will be having a big push with times tables and division facts. During lessons, your child will be taught the multiplication and division families for 2x, 5x and 10x tables.

Your child will also continue to consolidate their understanding of arithmetic using the four operations. $(+, -, x, \div)$

TT Rockstars...

Did you know that your child has the opportunity to win a certificate each week in our praise assembly? The top 3 children in each year group who play for the longest amount of time on TT rockstars will be awarded a certificate.

Please ask the class teacher if you do not know your log-in details.

Upcoming events...

World Book Day – Friday 3rd March - The theme is aspirations.

Think about what you would like to be when you are older and come dressed as that person. E.g. police officer / engineer / builder / teacher etc.

Mother's Day Stall/celebration - Date to be confirmed

Trip to Liverpool Maritime Museum

– Tuesday 21st March

Reading at home

We are noticing that a number of children are not reading at home each day.

As we are approaching the SATs tests and Phonics screening tests, it would be really beneficial for your child to read at home daily. Please try and read a couple of pages each day and sign their diary.

Questions to ask:

What do you think will happen next in the story? How do you think that character feels and why? Can you order the main events so far?

PE

This half term, Year 2 are very fortunate and will be having their PE lessons delivered by Stoke City PE coaches. Please make sure that your child comes to school wearing the correct PE kit and all jewellery items including earrings are removed. If you are unsure of what the correct PE kit is then please ask the class teacher.

2C (Mrs Colclough) - Mondays

2A (Miss Akhtar) - Fridays