



# St. Thomas the Martyr C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We hope that you had a lovely half term holiday. It's an exciting half term and we will be looking forward to continuing with our topic called 'Our Environment' as we prepare ourselves for Easter. We will be enriching the curriculum by visiting Martin Mere on Wednesday 14th March in order to explore the environment and different types of habitat. In addition, on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February, the children will take part in a Wild Workshop in school where they will be able to observe different animals.

The children will continue to have gymnastics lessons on Thursdays and Fridays. Please make sure that your child has a full P.E. kit which remains in school for the whole half term. The P.E. kit consists of navy shorts, a white t-shirt and pumps. It is also vital that kits come back to school following use at after school clubs or sporting fixtures.

Here are some notes about the curriculum your child will be covering this half term.

## **Literacy**

The children will be exploring different forms of poetry which use a structure to create them e.g. tankas and haikus. We will look at how to construct an explanation text linked to the science curriculum.

## **Numeracy**

Multiplication and division facts with a focus on x7 and x11, knowing when to use a mental or written method to answer a calculation, know the place value of each digit in a four-digit number and to two decimal places, written multiplication methods, compare and classify numbers and geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes, identify acute and obtuse angles and compare and order angles up to two right angles by size, identify lines of symmetry in 2D shapes presented in different orientations, use coordinates on a grid, use formal methods of column addition and subtraction, interpret different types of data using a range of graphical methods e.g. bar charts and time graphs

## **RE**

Exploring the themes of trust and betrayal within the Easter story.

## **Music**

Exploring the work of Benjamin Britten

Please see over for more detailed information about the topic of 'Our Environment'. Many thanks for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us about any matter concerning your child.

Yours sincerely,

**Mrs. Beer and Mrs. Davies**