



'Learning for life with God as our guide'



Class Newsletter – Term 3



## Welcome back Orcas!

Happy New Year Orcas! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas and ready to start a fresh new term. As you probably are aware, there have been lots of illnesses over the holidays, so we must ensure we continue to keep our hands clean and any coughs or sneezes are caught in a tissue or on our sleeve.

**As always, please see our class 'Termly Curriculum Overview' to see what your child will be learning about.**

### Homework



Homework will continue to be set on Fridays and needs to be completed by Wednesdays. There will be Maths, handwriting and spelling every week, as well as regular reading practice. If you have any queries about homework, do not hesitate to contact me for support or advice. Any outstanding pieces and outstanding effort shown to complete homework is appreciated and acknowledged; the children will be awarded a 'Homework Certificate'.

### PE



Orcas Class has PE on Wednesdays (with the Sports Coach, Dean Gonsalves) and Friday afternoons. Please ensure your child has a PE t-shirt, shorts and plimsoles in a named drawstring bag at school; this will remain in their locker so that your child can change themselves ready for the lesson. Please also ensure earrings are removed, for these days, and long hair must be tied back. During the colder months, your child can wear black/navy sports trousers and jumpers. Please ensure all clothing is NAMED to help identify any items of clothing that have been misplaced.



### Accelerated Reader



We will be encouraging your child to work through their Accelerated Reading levels. It is so important for the children to read as much as possible; this helps to expand their vocabulary and reading and writing ability, in addition to widen their understanding of the world around them. We hope their enjoyment for reading continues/improves in the future. Remember to encourage your child to read daily at home.

You can access Accelerated Reader using a number of devices through the weblink below or by scanning the QR code.

<https://ukhosted57.renlearn.co.uk/2240634/>



### Contact

Please feel free to contact by email - I will always endeavour to reply as soon as possible. Mr Andrew Venning: [andrew.matheson-venning@stmarysprimary.net](mailto:andrew.matheson-venning@stmarysprimary.net)

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