



## ST MONICA'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Strive to succeed in the presence of God*

### Important dates

Face to face parents evening- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 (15:30 – 17:30) and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 (15:30-19:30)

School pilgrimage to St Monica's Foodbank with food gifts – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

World Book Day – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

Infant Passion service – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 9:15am  
Year 2 parents are invited to join us in the junior hall for the service.

### How to help at home

Continue to read with your child at home and encourage them to read for their own pleasure, choosing books from the school library to take home with them. Use the comprehension questions we have provided you with at the last parents evening to check your child's understanding of what they have read.

We have re-posted an electronic copy of the comprehension questions onto google classroom for you.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you enjoyed your half term break.

We are looking ahead to another busy half term. Here is some information about what your child will be learning over the next few weeks along with some other useful information.

Thanks also to those of you who have generously sent children in with kitchen towel and tissues – we greatly value these contributions!

Updated PE days:

2G – Wednesday and Friday

2Y – Wednesday and Friday

# Year 2 Spring 2

### In RE this half term...

Our topic is 'From Lent to Easter' and we will be learning about:

- Lent – how we can give to others during the season of Lent
- The suffering and death of Jesus (Holy Thursday and Good Friday)
- Jesus' resurrection

**Key vocabulary: Lent, Almsgiving, fasting, prayer, forgive, sin, Triduum, Holy Thursday, Last Supper, Good Friday, crucified, Easter Sunday and resurrection**

### Useful websites

#### BBC Bitesize KS1

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>

#### Phonics play

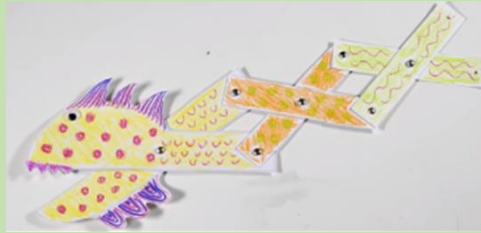
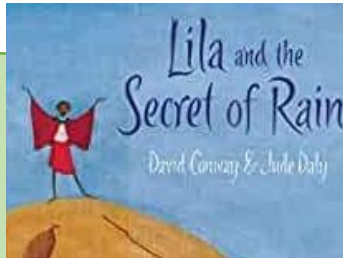
<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

#### Maths money games

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/money>

### In English...

Children will be following the Read Write Inc. reading and writing scheme. They have recently been assessed and placed into appropriate groups for this. Some children may be ready to begin the Power of Reading scheme where they will focus on our new text 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' by David Conway.



### Design and Technology...

In D&T this half term, we will be making a mechanical moving monster. The children will be exploring and understanding how objects move. They will learn about pivots, levers and linkages and will have the opportunity to make their own linkages. The children will apply these skills to making their own moving monster.

### In RHE...

Children will be learning about:

- Identifying special people in our lives who we love and trust

### In Maths...

#### Money

We will be:

- Counting money in pounds and pence
- Choosing notes and coins to represent a certain value
- Compare amounts of money
- Considering how much change we get if we spend a certain amount of money
- Solving two-step money problems

#### Multiplication and Division

We will be:

- Learn how to recognise and make equal groups
- Children will learn to multiply and divide by 2, 5 and 10

### In Geography...

Our next topic is **My Place, Your Place**. We will be comparing the UK (London) to Kenya (Nairobi). We will use locational knowledge to recap the area we live in before comparing this to Nairobi, the capital city of Kenya.

### In ICT...

We will be learning:

- How to research a topic using both iPads and the ICT suite

### In Science...

We will be continuing our 'Animals including human' topic and

- Learning about the importance of exercise
- Learning about the importance of hygiene
- Exploring the scientist Mary Seacole

### PE

PE this half term will be

- Outdoor PE: Developing sending and receiving skills
- Gymnastics: Jumping and Landing

### In Music...

We will be looking at Instrument families.