

## English

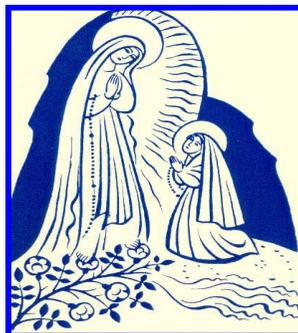
We will begin this half term by completing a persuasive letter, linking to our Gospel Value. We will use the topical plastic pollution issue as a stimulus for our writing. Therefore, we will use a range of factual sites, videos and images. We will discuss the features of persuasive texts and understand how to apply these to our writing. We will look at how to choose vocabulary to impact the reader, focusing on formal and emotive language. We will also focus on the following skills: range of punctuation, subjunctive form, passive voice, direct address. Following this, we will consoli-

## Reading

Reading is incredibly important this year. It will be an integral part of our English lessons and will also be taught through guided reading sessions. We always ensure there is time provided for the children to read for pleasure and would also like this to be encouraged daily

## SPAG

SPAG will be taught in both English lessons and weekly Basic Skills sessions, where it will be highlighted through reading and used in the application of writing. This half term, we will consolidate a range of punctuation (semi-colons, colons, brackets and dashes), the sub-



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## R.E.

This half term we are focusing on the feast of Pentecost. Christians believe that the spirit of God is active in each person and in a special way in the community of believers which is the Church. The Feast of children will look at the celebration both of the gift of God's Holy Spirit

## Maths

We will begin the term with a geometry unit, focusing on position and direction. We will look at co-ordinates in four quadrants, reflection and translation of shape. Following this, year 6 will revise all covered topics, in preparation for the SATs in May.

Year 5 will consolidate and recap the curriculum, starting with a unit on place value and number. This will allow us to consolidate any misconceptions (such as negative numbers and

## Homework

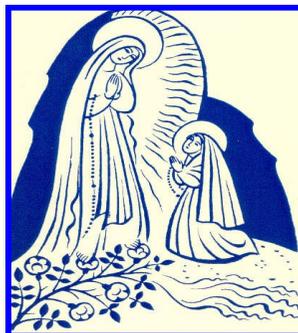
This term, Year 5 children will continue to receive weekly Maths (Monday) and English (Friday) homework. As discussed, this term the Year 6 children will receive a list of pages

## Science

In this 'Forces' unit will teach your class about balanced and unbalanced forces, gravity, friction and the use of mechanisms such as levers, gears and pulleys. The children will identify forces and complete force diagrams. They will find out about Isaac Newton and his discoveries about gravity, completing a comprehension about his life and his work. The children will look for patterns and links between the mass and weight of objects, using

## Topic

In this unit about Amazing America children will first find out about the continent of North America, and the countries that form it. They will then look in more detail at some of the contrasting areas of North America, finding out about the landscape, climate and locations in each area. At the end of the unit, children will research a trip to an area of North Amer-



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## Art & DT

This Marbulous Structures unit gives children opportunities to develop their understanding of more complex free standing structures and how they can be strengthened and reinforced. Children will gain knowledge of how to join and shape materials. Children will then apply these skills, using an iterative design process, to create their marble runs. Finally, children will

## Computing

This half term we will be completing a unit that takes the children through the process of analysing and building the classic game Pac-Man using Scratch. They will design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems. They will use sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work



## Educational Visits and Outdoor Learning

Further Educational visits are yet to be confirmed. Information will be passed on to parents/carers when all trips are organised.

## Extra Curricular

There are a variety of extra curricular activities for children at St Bernadette's. Please check our website, Bernadette's Blog

## P.E

This half term, we will be playing cricket. The children will play games demonstrating control, accuracy and sound technique in their bowling, batting and fielding; think about where they place the ball when batting and bowling; field effectively to put the batter under pressure; field ield effectively to put the batter under pressure; read the

## French

This half term our topic of *On the Move will continue*. The children will learn to: name some types of transport, use Je... and Tu... correctly in a simple sentence, respond to simple instructions for direction and movement and follow simple directions to find a place on a map.

## SEAL

This half term we are covering the topic of Health and Wellbeing. Our PSCH work will also be linked to our Stewardship of Creation topic and work will often be completed in our class floor book.