

Year 6 Update – Friday 15th September 2023

This week our Y5 and 6 pupils went to St Michaels and All Angels Church to watch a special performance of Pinocchio performed by the students of Wesley College, Melbourne who are currently touring the UK. The staff and children thoroughly enjoyed the show and all four classes were a credit to St Anthony's by their conduct and behaviour at this event.

Religious Education

This week in R.E we have been learning about God's unconditional love. We have read two pieces of scripture this week, one from the book of Isaiah and a Psalm. We discussed what we can learn from these and what these teach us about God's loving nature. The children were all able to relate this love to that of how a shepherd looks after his sheep. We have also been thinking about how God's love shapes us as people and what we can learn from the example of Saint Paul.

Vocabulary

Unconditional, scripture, image of God

Mathematics

We have been continuing with our learning of place value with numbers up to 10,000,000 and we have been ordering and comparing these numbers. Next week we will be moving on to rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 or whole number.

Vocabulary

standard units, converting measurements, length, mass, volume and time, order, compare, value, round, intervals across zero, negative, conversion.

Pre-learning

Next week we will be rounding numbers and we will be learning about adding and subtracting negative numbers.

English

This week we have started with our work based on 'Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide' and learnt about the Cockatrice. The children have been able to think about relevant words to describe this creature. Next week, the children are going to create a poster to warn people about this fearsome creature.

Vocabulary: adjectives, chronological, retrieving information

Pre-learning: We will be learning about river trolls and the children will be completing some poetry.

Science

We continue to look at the main functions of the circulatory system.

Vocabulary

Heart, lungs, arteries, veins, blood vessels, capillaries, oxygen, carbon dioxide

Pre-Learning

Next week, the children will start to write an explanation text about the circulatory system.

Humanities

In Geography this week we have been learning about 3 famous mountains, Olympus Mons, Mauna Kea and Mount Everest. The children have completed some fantastic fact files about each of these mountains.

Vocabulary: mountain, volcano, sea level, planet

Pre-learning

Next week, we will be learning about two British mountaineers who attempted to climb Mount Everest.

Secondary School Visits

This week Mr Lee the deputy head from St Joan of Arc and Mr Conway the headteacher from St Michael's visited Year 6 to talk to both classes about their respective schools. The children were very enthused by these visits and asked lots of excellent questions. Please note that St Joan of Arc's Open Day is on Thursday 5th October from 5 - 8pm and St Michael's is on Wednesday 25th September from 6 – 9pm.

Positive Minds

Next week the children will begin a program that is led by WFC called Positive Minds. This will introduce the concept of mental health to the children and will cover lots of different topics including, social media, gaming and how to look after themselves both physically and mentally.

OTHER INFORMATION

- Year 6 Information Evening at 5.30pm on Monday 2nd October in the School Hall.

- The children will be taking part in a Mass led by Bishop Paul on Wednesday 20th September.
- Year 6 Padua will begin their swimming lessons on Monday 18th September. Please make sure they have their swimming things in a separate bag on this day.
- Individual photos of the children will be taken on Wednesday 27th September.

Mission of the week



Five Ways to Wellbeing



KEEP LEARNING

14th September was the feast the Holy Rood. Do some research on Holy Rood Church. The building has been there for many years and it has a lot of history. Carry out some research into the feast of the Holy Rood. Why do we celebrate it? What does it mean? Perhaps we can use some of your work to go up in our chapel.

Wishing you well for the weekend.

The Year 6 Team