

St Thomas More Primary

Spring Term 2 2019 Information Sheet for Parents or Guardians of Key Stage 1

	Year 1	Year 2
Class Teacher	Miss Fulker	Mrs Hudson-Ford
Teaching Assistants	Mrs Bowman Mrs Conway	Mrs Naser Mrs Washington Mrs Lawrence
School begins at 8.50am and ends at 3.15pm . Please make sure your child is at school on time and that he/she is collected on time. Thank you.		

Please remember to inform the school office of any change of address, home telephone number, mobile telephone number, or any other emergency contact or medical information.

Introduction: Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful half term! We have produced this letter as a way of keeping you informed of all the wonderful things we are hoping to achieve this term

GOSPEL VIRTUES	GROWTH MINDSET	BRITISH VALUES
Learned and Wise	As a school we will continue to use the Growth Mindset approach to continue to help the children to challenge themselves and aim high with their learning.	Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs

Please Remember:					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE		Year 1 Outdoor PE	Year 2 Outdoor PE	Year 1&2 Indoor PE	
Homework set	Year 1&2 Reading	Year 1&2 Reading	Year 1&2 Reading	Year 1&2 Reading	Year 1&2 Reading Year 1&2 Written homework (Hand in by following Wednesday). (20 minutes.) Year 1&2: Spellings Spelling Test

This term we are covering the Individual Learning Project (topic): Land Ahoy

	Class: Year 1	Class: Year 2
RE	Forgiveness, Lent and Holy Week	Special Celebrations, Lent and Holy Week
English	Poetry Non-Fiction: Instruction writing, diary, postcards Reading: Range of Pirate stories, Captain Flinn and the Pirate dinosaurs, Pirates love underpants	Fiction: Pirate story and character and setting descriptions. Non-Fiction: Report on Pirates, diary Reading: Range of Pirate stories, Pirates love underpants, The Pirate Cruncher
Mathematics	2014 New National Curriculum including 2D shapes, measuring length, time, place value, number bonds, mental strategies for subtraction, money, multiplication and division, fractions, multiplication and division facts	
Science	Everyday Materials	Everyday Materials
Individual Learning Project (ILP)	<u>Land Ahoy</u> Computing: Coding and using Bee bots Art: Observational drawing and sketching of ships and flags History: Explorers Geography: Naming and locating UK capital cities and seas, understanding how to read a map and use a compass, naming physical and human characteristics, creating own treasure maps.	
Other	PSHCE: Sustainability, Healthy Lifestyle	

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Land Ahoy:

Land Ahoy! Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum! Arrr... me hearties, it's a sailor's life for me! Get your sea legs on, it's time to sail the salty seas. Navigate, investigate and explore the world – just like Chris Columbus. Make a boat, sink a ship, fly a pirate flag! Speak like a pirate, sing like a sailor, then find a pirate's booty! Sing a sea shanty whilst cleaning the poop deck then search the school grounds for Captain Purplebeard's hidden treasure. That's land ahead, me buckos! Let's get t'ship t'port.

Books: It is extremely important that your child reads EVERY night. This may be only a few pages but could be a few chapters. You will notice that reading is listed as a homework activity every day and must be given a similar priority to any written homework given. The children must complete their reading journals, which will form part of their homework, on a daily basis. By reading daily, the children will be exposed to a range of authors and genres, and this will help them to perform better in their own creative writing tasks. This is a certain way of helping to improve writing ability in conjunction with other techniques. Children will also regularly be heard read in school.

Homework in Year 1 and 2: The children will be set a Maths/ English activity in their homework book every Friday which should take them up to 20 minutes. The homework will consolidate and extend children's learning from that week's class work. The homework book needs to be handed in on the following Wednesday. Differentiated spellings will be handed out on a Friday in the homework book and will be tested on the following Wednesday in Year 2.

GENERAL REMINDERS:

Uniform: All pupils should be wearing full school uniform at all times and also need a pair of trainers for outdoor use and shoes for indoor use. Please refer to the schools uniform policy for guidance. All children should now be wearing full winter uniform. Please ensure all belongings are labelled.

Medicines: Only prescribed medicines should be labelled and handed in to the office with details of dosage requirements. Please refer to school policy on handling and administering medicines. (This excludes asthma inhalers, which must always be named and with the child at all times).

Water: Every pupil requires a labelled water bottle.

Miss Fulker

Mrs Hudson-Ford