



## Year 2

**ENGLISH** - This week the children have been looking at the 4 different sentence types: **statement, command, question** and **exclamation**. They have been identifying the different sentence types and writing examples of their own.

**MATHS** - Year 2 have been using a variety of vocabulary to create subtraction questions, such as 'take away/minus/less than/find the difference between'. The children have begun to use the column method to solve subtraction questions. They take away the Ones first (8 - 5)

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 \text{T} \quad \text{Ones} \\
 3 \quad 8 \\
 - 1 \quad 5 \\
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 2 \quad 3
 \end{array}$$

**COME AND SEE** — Our new topic is Signs and Symbols. The children will be looking at the signs and symbols of Baptism. **\*If possible, please send in a named photograph of your child's Baptism.\*** It would be lovely opportunity for you to discuss your memories of your child's Baptism with them. Perhaps you could show them their Baptismal Candle or the white garment which they used.



## Year 1

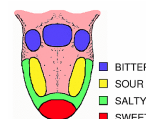
**PHONICS** - It has been lovely to hear that the children have been sharing with their parents what they have learnt about digraphs and tri-graphs in their phonics lessons. A digraph is two letters that make one sound. e.g. ea in **eat** makes an "ee" sound. The trigraph igh in **high** makes an "I" sound.

**MATHS** - The children have been using the number of the week to create spiders with different coloured legs and then write the correlating calculation e.g. 2 green + 6 red = 8 legs

**Shape of the Week** - Hexagon - A hexagon has six sides.

**Number of the week** - 6 - Do you know a shape with six sides?

**SCIENCE** - Sense of the week - **Taste**. Perhaps you and your child could try tasting something new!



## Foundation Stage

**Literacy** - This week we will be learning our sounds and letters **ck, e, u, r**. ck is a digraph that is two letters that make one sound. Have a look at "Mr Thorne Does Phonics" online to help with sounds. Look out in the reading diaries as some children will be getting their high frequency words soon.

**Mathematics** - In mathematics, we will be focussing on number formation. Keep practising at home too.

**Topic** - Next week we will start our topic of Autumn and will also be celebrating St Helen's Day on Friday just before we break up for half term. We will all be going on an autumn discovery walk around the school grounds, so if your child doesn't have wellies in school please send them in on Monday.

**Mystery Guest** - Thank you to our mystery guests this week Miss Da Silva Santos and Mrs Daly. The children are really enjoying seeing who comes through the door to speak to them every week.

**Dates for your diary**:- Please keep the afternoons of 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> November free for Craft afternoons with your child in the classroom. More details to follow shortly.



### DIARY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2017 - 2018

17 Oct	Tue	4p.m - 6.30p.m	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings - you will only attend one evening either 17 <sup>th</sup> or 19 <sup>th</sup> October.	All Years	NO CHILDREN
19 Oct	Thurs	9.15a.m for 9.30a.m start	Open Morning Prospective Sep'18 parents	Prospective Sep'18 parents	Parents of children due to start school in September 2018
19 Oct	Thurs	4p.m - 6.30p.m	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings - you will only attend one evening either 17 <sup>th</sup> or 19 <sup>th</sup> October.	All Years	NO CHILDREN
20 Oct	Fri	During School Day	St. Helen's Day Celebration	All Years	Children can wear Red and Green Ribbons
<b>AUTUMN HALF TERM - Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct to Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct (inclusive)</b>					
30 Oct	Mon	Open at 8.45a.m	Children Return to School	All Years	ALL YEARS
2 Nov	Thurs	3.20pm - 3.35pm	Book Look	All Years	Parents of All Years
3 Nov	Fri	8.45am - 9.30am	Drop,Off, Drop In	All Years	Parents of All Years
3 Nov	Fri	During School Day	St. Martin House Celebration	St. Martin House	For children in St. Martin House. Children can wear 'Green' ribbon.