

RE

During our Revelation unit, we will be exploring how God is revealed to us in the everyday, ordinary world.

We will be studying scripture that tells us about the Presentation and Transfiguration of Jesus and learning about the symbolism and the meaning behind these events.

Science

This term's unit is 'Forces and Magnets'. After last half terms work on forces, we will now focus on magnets.

We'll look at materials with magnetic properties and learn about magnetic poles and explore why magnets can attract or repel each other.

PSHE

We will be learning more about ourselves this half term and describing why 'It's Good to be Me!'

We'll be learning about self-esteem and thinking about how we are each special and unique.

Computing

We are Network Engineers - Children will learn that computer networks are an interconnected group of computers. They will investigate how computer networks (including the internet) work.

How you can help your child at home

As always, reading at home plays a vital part in your child's education. Please aim to do this daily for a few minutes (or a minimum of 3 times weekly).

Timetable Rockstars is fully up and running now... Keep practising often... St Bernadette's class are currently fastest with an average speed of 8.06 seconds per question and St John's class are most accurate with 88% of answers correct!

English

We will be studying Iron Man by Ted Hughes this half term in our reading lessons.

We will be using this text to help us develop our own narrative writing, thinking carefully about improving our language choices with new and interesting vocabulary to create really engaging characters and settings.

DT

During this half term we will be celebrating STEM week. We will be designing, building and evaluating our own vehicles using a range of tools, materials and skills.

Key vocabulary

Saxons	invasion	settlement	lyre
coins	jewellery	Sutton Hoo	thatch
weaving	wattle and daub		

Maths

We will be focusing mostly on fractions this half term.

Our learning will include equivalence, finding fractions of amounts, adding and subtracting fractions and looking at how we can match them with their decimal partners.

History

We will be continuing to learn about Britain's settlement by Anglo-Saxons this half term.

We will be moving on to explore more about the lifestyle and culture of the Saxons. We will begin by learning about the settlements they created and how we can learn about their way of life from a typical Saxon home.

We will then focus on 'historian skills' to analyse artefacts for clues about Saxon life before studying the beliefs of Saxons as Pagans before they converted to Christianity.

Music: We are continuing to develop our sound and technical skills on the recorder (Y3) and the flute (Y4). We will be thinking about our posture and breathing, discussing how these factors can influence our performance.

PE

This half term children will be involved in racket skills covering tennis, badminton and table tennis. Y3 will continue swimming.

SMASHING SAXONS

YEAR 3/4 SPRING TERM 2

