

SHENFIELD ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

There is plenty to look forward to in the summer term. Our new topic is entitled 'Shenfield St Mary's Primary School.' The school was built in 1865 and as you can imagine, 157 years later, it has a lot of history within its walls. The school has changed tremendously from what it once was to what the children know about it today. The building has undergone many extensions, staff members have come and gone, there have been two World Wars and thousands upon thousands of pupils have learnt a never-ending amount of lessons. We hope that through our teaching, the children will able to gain an insight into the world of Shenfield St Mary's; the construction of the school, the special people behind the four houses and the various things which have made the school what it is today.

In Science topics we will be learning more about space, earth and rocks which will be supported with the visit of Moon rock. In Art we will be looking at our local area and the work of local artists to create our own landscape pictures. DT, we explore working with fabric and creating tye dye t-shirts and celebrating with our fabulous finish a 'Fashion catwalk'.

In RE we will be learning about Pentecost, Baptism and attend a Pilgrimage day. Our other faith we will be exploring is Buddhism. In PSHE we look at relationships of families and friends and how our bodies change as we grow up. Through our computing units we will develop an understanding of how emails work. It will definitely be a busy term!

Swimming and PE lessons

This term as part of the PE curriculum the children will be having swimming lessons. These lessons will be on a Tuesday morning and held at Shenfield High School's swimming pool. The children will be required to bring the following items:

towel flip flops or similar Waterproof swimming bag swimming hat

girls- one-piece swimming costume boys- swimming trunks not shorts.

We will need parent helpers to walk with us and help supervise the children. We will be setting up a rota so please return the form if you are able to help. We thank you for the contribution toward the swimming lesson costs which was requested last term and uploaded to ParentPay.

PE kits will need to be worn on a Tuesday and Wednesday for outdoor PE lesson.

Events this term

The term begins with a space themed week, including a range of activities and a visit from real moon rocks to explore.

We would like to share with you our learning during our class worship this term:

Seahorse class on Friday 6th May and Turtle class on Friday 1st July.

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We will be joining the school celebration of the Queen's jubilee during curriculum week.

Tuesday 28th **June** we have been invited to the Diocese of Chelmsford school Pilgrimage day. The theme of the day will be 'What's the story?' The day will include opportunities to take part in creative, active and music focussed workshops reflecting on the theme and what they might mean to each of us. A contribution toward the coach costs will be requested nearer the time.

We hope to be able to hold other events for the year group and whole school such as Sports day, local area walk and our Fabulous Finish. We will keep you updated via the school newsletter, Google classroom and Marvellous Me.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Hodder and Miss Rogers