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Safeguarding

Please pay extra attention when driving on the roads close to school and don't park in a place that makes it unsafe for children and parents to see when crossing the road.

Diary Dates

Tue 1 Oct	Rec Forest School.
Fri 4 Oct	Year 5 Swimming
	No Celebration Assembly this day.
Thur 10 Oct	Wear yellow # Mental Health Day

After School Clubs

Mon -	Girls Football Yrs 3,4,5 & 6
	Art Club
Wed -	Football Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6
	Choir
Thur -	Multi-Sports Yrs 1 & 2

Church Service Dates

2 Oct	Rev Scriven	Samuel Hears a Voice
9 Oct	Year 3	Recent RE Learning
16 Oct	Rev Scriven	Samuel the Kingmaker

Harvest Service

Sunday 6 October at 9:30am.

A letter has been sent via ParentApps and will be posted on our school website with more information

Bikes and Scooters

Please don't allow your child to ride a bike or scooter in our school yard. The yard is very congested before and after school.

This is to keep all children safe.

Thank you

Non-Uniform

We are taking part in # HelloYellow on Thursday 10th October 2024 — World Mental Health Day. Children can come to school on this day in non-uniform and wear something yellow.

We will be joining thousands of other schools by wearing yellow to show young people that how they feel matters, as well as raising money for young minds. We are confident that taking part in # HelloYellow will show our young people that they're not alone with their mental health.

**Wear
it loud.
Wear
it proud.**

Wear yellow this World Mental Health Day, 10 October, and show young people they're not alone with their mental health.



School Photographer



The school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 9th October to take individual photographs.

All photos will be ordered and paid online directly to Tiny Pixels. We will send home information on how to do this in due course.



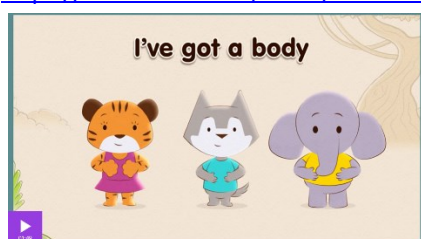
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EYFS—Asia

We have had another good week in Reception Class. The children have loved PE last week, getting used to going into two smaller groups and then as a whole class for dance on a Friday. Well done to the children who have told me they have been practising getting changed at home more independently. You can use 'Reach' by S Club 7 as a target for getting changed.

We have learnt our new nursery rhyme last week:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/articles/zh47dp3>



We have been ordering and sequencing in maths last week. We used the following stories to help us understand ordering by size and height:



It has been lovely to watch the children build more friendships in school.



Thank you to the parents who attended the phonics meeting on Monday. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Online Safety is important at any age especially when children have access to an electronic device. Take a look at the following website with some helpful age-appropriate information to support you with talking to your child about staying safe online: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/techosaurus/>

A reminder that reading books and homework books must be returned to school every Thursday to be changed. They will be reissued on a Friday.

Thank you for your continued support.

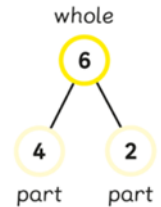
Mrs Jesson and the EYFS Team

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Year 1 - Antarctica

In Maths last week, we completed our first chapter – Numbers to 10. We finished the chapter by using concrete resources to find '1 more' and '1 less'. In the first lesson of our new chapter, we explored different ways of making numbers using number bond diagrams.

In English, we began to read our focus text 'Harry the Happy Mouse' by N.G.K. We enjoyed using drama to explore the main characters. We enjoyed writing 'thank you' letters to different animals in the book, for all the kind things they have done.



This is called a number bond.

Last week we enjoyed 'The Big Frieze Day'. Using the artwork by Emma Yarlett, we looked at each panel in detail to identify different objects that are linked to God's story. In the afternoon, we focused on 'The Fall'. Thinking about Adam and Eve, we thought about why they disobeyed God. We then used our thoughts to create our own version of 'The Fall' artwork.



In Art, we began to think about what natural materials can be used in a collage. We enjoyed creating a collage using dried leaves.

In Geography, we began to think about Geographical features. We enjoyed learning what a human feature is before identifying some human features in our local area.

Please note:

Reading books will be changed every **Thursday**. Please make sure that you have read with your child and signed their reading record.

Homework is due every **Thursday** and will be given back out on **Friday**.

Our PE slots have changed to a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Please make sure that your child has a PE kit in school and earrings are not worn.

If you have any concerns or would like a chat, please do not hesitate to email me - miss.middleton@st-john-augustine.lancs.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Middleton

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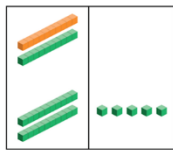
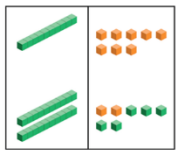
Year 2 - Africa

In maths we have been adding two numbers with renaming.

Master

$$18 + 27 =$$

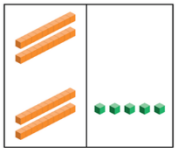
Start by adding the ones.



tens	ones
1	8
+	2
	7
1	5

8 ones + 7 ones = 15 ones
15 ones = 1 ten and 5 ones

Rename 10 ones as 1 ten.



tens	ones
1	8
+	2
	7
1	5
+	3
4	5

Then add the tens.

1 ten + 3 tens = 4 tens

$$18 + 27 = 45$$

There are 45 books about America and Europe altogether.

In English we have been looking at non-fiction texts and have been researching facts about wolves. The children produced some great information posters all about wolves.

In Geography we have been learning about human features across the UK.

In Science we have been exploring different types of habitats and the living things we might find in each different habitat.

In RE we looked at the discovery of The Dead Sea Scrolls. Each of the children produced a beautifully written diary entry from the point of view of the shepherd.

Thank you

Mrs Mcleod and Miss Fletcher

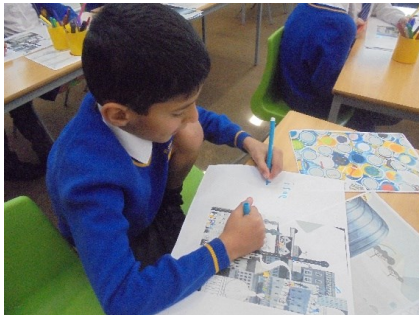
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Year 3 — Europe

We had an exciting day on Tuesday when we visited Accrington Stanley football ground for their annual shirt giveaway. The children joined lots of other Year 3 classes from the local area. Please look on our class page on the school website for photographs of this day.



We had another exciting day on Wednesday when we looked at 'The Big Frieze' which shows God's big plan. All the children looked carefully at the eight panels discussing what they could see. The children produced some good artwork in the afternoon.



In **English** this week we looked at the plot in a Paddington adventure – Paddington always encounters a problem and it gets worse before it is solved. The children planned their own adventure for Paddington. We started to write the opening for this adventure.

In **History** we thought about how life was different in the Stone Age compared to now. We focussed on transport, food, houses and clothes. Ask your child what they can remember.

In **Science** we investigated the 2 poles of a magnet. The children had to use the correct vocabulary – repel and attract and decide if it was a pulling or pushing force. Ask your child about non-contact forces.





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Year 3 — Europe

Our **RE** lesson focussed on the prophet Jonah. The children thought about how Jonah's actions changed when God asked him to do a special job.



In **Maths** we started renaming the ones and tens. All the children worked hard practising this tricky method.

In our new spelling lessons we looked at the spelling rules –

Doubling the consonant after a short vowel when adding ing and ed eg

sob ----- sobbing sobbed

When the word ends with an e removing this e when adding ed and ing

describe describing described

When a word ends with a y removing the y and adding an i when adding the word endings er and est.

pretty prettiest prettier

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Martin



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Year 4

We have had yet another super week in year 4. The class worked extremely hard and have shown good progress with their learning.

Maths

We have started to look at addition, focusing on are thousands e.g.
We have been focusing on multiplication, working specifically on the 5x.

	Th	H	T	O
	4	4	7	2
+	5	2	2	7
	9	6	9	9

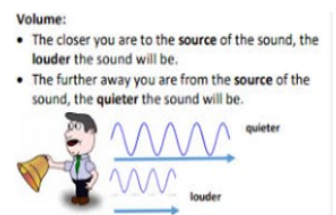
English

We are looking at the loch Ness Monster, we are focusing on writing are own magazine article based on Nessie. In Spag we are focusing on complex sentences.



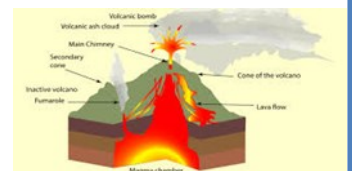
Science

This week's lesson the children learnt about the pitch and the volume of a sound and what makes it high and low and strong and weak.



Geography

This week we focused on why people live near a volcano. Looking at the factors e.g. Money, tourist, and farming.



PE

We are practising gymnastics skills. Our fourth lesson focused a balance, traveling, front and back balances, dish balance and a roll. We performed a short sequence in groups to the rest of the class.

Key information:

Please remember that times tables are a key focus in Year 4 as we have the official test in June. Please focus once again on the 2,5 and 10x tables.

New spellings are handed out every Friday to practise throughout the week. Your child will be tested on these on the following Friday.

One piece of homework from the homework grid should be completed and handed in no later than Thursday every week. This will be returned by Friday. (Extra Maths work might be given)

Please read with your child at least 3 – 4 times per week. Please sign your child's yellow reading record and return both this and the reading book to school every day where this will be monitored.

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Mr Asif ☺

Year 4 Class Teacher

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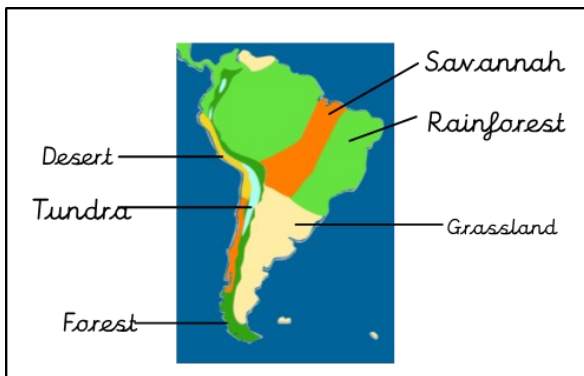
Year 5 — South America

Here's an update on our classroom activities from last week and what we have planned for this week in Year 5...

Maths: We practiced adding and subtracting numbers, with students exploring various strategies to strengthen their understanding.

English: Our focus was on non-chronological reports. The children began planning and writing a report about a troll, and they will soon start planning their own reports on different mythical creatures.

Science: We explored the concepts of day and night. Each child created models of the Earth, Sun, and Moon to demonstrate their understanding of orbit and rotation, which they brought home.



Geography: We studied climate zones and biomes, setting the stage to dive deeper into the biomes of South America and learn the names of some countries in that region.

Swimming: the children continue to make excellent progress, growing more confident in the water.

PE: the children are enjoying creating their gymnastics routines where they are combining all their skills together, this week they will focus on perfecting and adding in more challenges.

National Poetry Day

This Thursday, October 3rd, is National Poetry Day! We are excited to announce that we will have an author visit on Monday! Brian Beresford will be presenting his book, *Silly Island*, to the KS2 children. Year 5 will be studying a poem called 'One' in their guided reading sessions. The theme this year is counting.

Key information:

New spellings are handed out every Monday to practise throughout the week. Your child will be tested on these on the following Monday.

One piece of homework from the homework grid should be completed and handed in by Thursday every week. This will be returned by Friday.

Please read with your child at least 3 – 4 times per week. Please sign your child's yellow reading record and return both this and the reading book to school every day where this will be monitored.

PE day is Thursday and swimming is Friday morning. Please bring in the relevant kit.

Class teacher email: miss.livesey@st-john-augustine.lancs.sch.uk

Miss Livesey



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Year 6—North America

Last week in English the children started to write their stories based on the Nowhere Emporium. We have done lots of modelled writing and they have produced some interesting plots.

In maths we have been multiplying by a 2 digit number. This has highlighted that a number of children are still needing to learn their times tables. Please practice these regularly at home.

In science we looked at Carl Linnaeus and his way of grouping living things. We looked at everyday animals and learnt their scientific names.

In RE we have been continuing looking at Jesus and his life journey. The children have looked at Christian pilgrimage to different places.

In geography the children have been learning about night and day in the hemispheres and how daylight times change.

Please make sure you are reading with your child at least 3 times a week. Homework also needs to be completed.

Thank you for your support.

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We've got some exciting news to share with you.

Parentkind – a charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cash pot for Schools' initiative. To support our school, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app, shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com.

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative – look out for the TV advert, radio ads and social media coverage!

It's as easy as 1,2,3

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
2. Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode
3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most.

Remember, anyone can sign up – so start spreading the news and raising funds for our school.

This initiative is on top of the existing Asda Rewards benefits you get as a shopper – so you won't lose out on any of your own earnings or Cashpot, so everyone is a winner!

For more details, visit asda.com/cashpotforschools