



Friday 19th April 2024

SJSG FRIDAY FLYER

A message from Mrs. Otter — Head Teacher

John 11:25-26 :“I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die.”

Happy Eastertide!

I hope you and your families had a lovely Easter break and continue to enjoy the season of Eastertide, which lasts until the Feast of Pentecost on Sunday 19th May. The season is a time for rejoicing at the resurrection of Jesus and a chance to give thanks for the new life that comes at this time. It has been lovely to see the sun shining, hopefully in the coming days the temperature will increase and we will start to feel the sun's warmth again! I wish you a blessed Summer Term, and as always the school door is open should you wish to speak to a member of staff.

Faith Life

This term the school virtues are as follows:

Resilience

Kindness

Honesty

Service

Your children will be taught about the importance of living their lives by acting out these virtues. They will be taught what the virtues mean, and how they can demonstrate them on a daily basis.

For the next three weeks we will be looking at **resilience**. Please help your child to develop resilience at home.

Curriculum

This term the children will be focusing on the following, alongside many other areas of learning:

EYFS will be preparing for the transition to Year 1 with lots of fun learning.

Years 1 and 2 will be learning about castles and the monarchs who lived in them.

Years 3 and 4 will be reading the Wind in the Willows and completing lots of writing linked to the story.

Year 5 will focus on the Shakespeare play of Macbeth.

Year 6 will be using J. R. R. Tolkien's The Hobbit as inspiration when writing their own fantasy novels.

Supporting your Child

Make sure your child reads everyday.

Children need to hear adults reading to become better readers for themselves.

Please find the time to read to your child, so that they hear fluency and expression. This will give your child a good model of competent reading that they can then develop for themselves.

Thank you!

Pedagogy

Children learn best by having new concepts introduced in small chunks. This stops cognitive overload.

Children need the opportunity to regularly revisit new learning, so that the learning moves from their short term memory to their long term memory.

Once concepts have moved to the long term memory, children are more likely to recall them and apply them in their learning.

Important Dates

Parents Evenings are Tuesday 23rd April and Thursday 25th April. Please make your appointment via the My Child at School App. We will be asking parents to complete a short survey while at Parents Evening, we thank you in advance for completing this.