

HAWTHORN CLASS SUMMER 1 NEWSLETTER



SUMMER 1 IN HAWTHORN CLASS

Welcome to Summer Term, your child's last term at St Mark and All Saints. With the End of Key Stage Assessments (SATs), a 4-day residential, and science visits to Charterhouse School, among other things, your child will have an action-packed penultimate half term at St Mark and All Saints.

END OF KEY STAGE ASSESSMENTS

On the week commencing 8th May, your child will be sitting compulsory government assessments in maths, reading, and SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar). We appreciate this can be a worrying time for children, and welcome your support in keeping them calm and collected. Should you have any questions about the assessments please contact Mr Bott who will be happy to discuss them with you.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday 18th April 2023

NFER Researcher Visit

Tuesday 25th April, 2nd and 9th May 2023

Visits to Charterhouse school - science taster

Monday 7th May 2023

Coronation Bank Holiday

Tuesday 8th May - Friday 12th May

Key Stage 2 End of Key Stage Assessments

Monday 15th May - Thursday 18th May

Year 6 Residential - St George's House

Thursday 25th May 2023

FOSMAS Obstacle Race

Friday 26th May 2023

INSET day - School closed to children.



ENGLISH LEARNING IN SUMMER 1

Digging back into their learning in English across the last 7 years, Year 6 will spend the summer term exploring, planning and writing from a series of different genre, including both fiction and non-fiction.

Working on a weekly rotation, we will read, explore, digest and then recreate examples of different writing style including reporting, narrative, descriptive and persuasion.

MATHS

Continuing our Maths No Problem journey, Summer 2 will start with an exploration of basic algebra, before moving on to explore the area, perimeter and volume of shapes.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

Our residential to St George's house will leave on the 15th May 2023 and return to school on 18th May 2023. Final departure information will be released early in the new term.

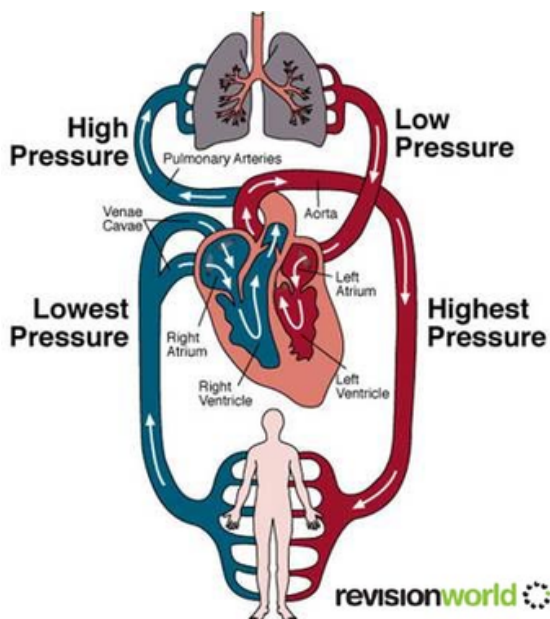
If your child is not booked on to the trip they will spend the four days in Year 5.

SCIENCE

Our Summer term science learning starts with an amazing opportunity provided by Charterhouse School.

On three consecutive Tuesdays in April and May, the children will be transported to our well-equipped neighbours for lessons in Chemistry, Physics and Biology. Exploring the light sensitivity of maggots, the creation of crystals, and the science of crumple zones, this is a fantastic opportunity in preparing for secondary education.

The remainder of the term will be looking at our Animals Including Humans topic, with a focus on the human circulatory system.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In RE we will be learning about Buddhism. Dating back over 2,500 years, the Buddhist faith has over 400,000,000 followers worldwide. Learning about its history, beliefs and practices we will explore the world of Buddhism and learn its importance in the modern world.



Design and Technology

In DT we will be exploring dams and their design and creation. Linking closely with our Geography topic, the structure and uses of dams will be central to our learning.

Geography

In Geography we will be studying rivers, how they are formed and the ways they have shaped human life over the ages. We will be learning about the water cycle and its role in life on the planet.

French

In French we will be studying 'Chez Moi' (my home). Learning about types of home and rooms in the house, children will learn to describe their homes and the homes of others.

Music

In the unit 'Music and Me' learners will be exploring and experimenting with the work of 4 inspirational women who work in music.

Computing

In computing we will be learning to 3D model using <https://www.tinkercad.com>

PSHE

In PSHE we will be using Jigsaw to learn about relationships.

PE

Summer term will focus on Athletics and being Outdoor and Adventurous

NFER VISIT - 18TH APRIL 2023

We have been randomly selected as a sample school for the testing of future maths assessment papers. The purpose of the tests is to assess the suitability of test materials and will not be used to assess the children. The results from the papers will not be shared with us or parents.