

Important dates and Celebrations:

Monday	1 st Nov	All Saints' Day	Christian
Tuesday	2 nd Nov	All Souls' Day	Christian
Thursday	4 th Nov	Diwali/Deepavali	Hindu Holiday
Friday	5 th Nov	Guy Fawkes Day	
Sunday	14 th Nov	Remembrance Sunday	
Friday	19 th Nov	Children in Need	Wear spots, bring £1 for Children in Need
Sunday	28 th Nov	First Sunday of Advent	
Monday	29 th Nov	First Day of Hanukkah	Jewish holiday
Tuesday	30 th Nov	St Andrew's Day	
Monday	6 th Dec	Last day of Hanukkah	Jewish holiday
Wednesday	8 th Dec	Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Christian
Friday	17 th Dec	End of term	School finishes early
Tuesday	21 st Dec	December Solstice	
Friday	24 th Dec	Christmas Eve	
Saturday	25 th Dec	Christmas Day	Bank holiday, Christian holiday
Sunday	26 th Dec	Boxing Day	
Monday	27 th Dec	Bank holiday	
Tuesday	28 th Dec	Bank holiday	
Friday	31 st Dec	New Year's Eve	



ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

RISE UP



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the second half of Autumn term. We hope you had a lovely half-term break.

Our new unit is called 'Alive & Kicking' and we will be exploring how a local charity supports our community in Hoxton and communities in Africa.

If you have any questions please ask.

RISE UP

Yours Sincerely,
Miss Iscan

Autumn 2 2021

Maths

This term we are looking at addition and subtraction of 1 and 2 digits numbers. We will then begin to learn about money and you can support this learning by making sure your child knows the value of each coin and discuss the concept of getting change. Students will then get introduced to Multiplication & Division by making and adding equal groups.

Writing

We will be writing a retell of stories linked to our unit 'Alive & Kicking'. We will continue to focus on forming sentences using capital letters and full stop, adjectives and conjunctions. This term we will learn how to use suffixes, punctuation and adverbs to make our writing more interesting.

Computing

We will continue to use iPads to develop our research skills when looking at different countries and their flags. We will also be using 'Now Press Play' to assist our geography skills.

Reading

In addition to daily phonics lessons, children will have an opportunity for targeted reading lessons to practice their segmenting, blending, fluency and comprehension skills during our reading lessons with the programme Read Write Inc. To support your child at home, you should hear them read for 20 minutes daily and discuss the story.

Science

This half term we will be developing our skills of identifying and analysing our bodies. Children will learn about a healthy lifestyle including food groups and the importance of water. They will then design a balanced meal and a workout that will help them stay healthy.

Music

This half term the children will be looking at the elements of music with a particular focus on rhythm, pitch and tempo. They will be investigating how these elements affect them as listeners.

This half term in Year 2...

History and Geography

During this unit, we will be identifying football teams across the globe, their locations and the history of football. We will also use a variety of sources to locate the world's continents and different countries. We will develop our skills in asking and answering geographical questions all linked to our Alive and Kicking unit.

Religious Education

Our big question this term is 'Who is the Saint of our school?'. We will be visiting St John the Baptist Church to learn about St John's life. In the second half of the term, we will be discussing the symbol of light in relation to Jesus and Christianity.

We are reading:

We will be reading *Hackney Martian*, *Spinderella*, *Little People* *Marcus Rashford*, *Do Goal Keeper's wear tiaras?* and *Kicking a Ball*.

Art

We will be looking at Alberto Giacometti's work and taking inspiration to learn how to draw the proportions of the human body. We will then add details to create a sketch of a footballer in motion.

Just a reminder...



Can you please check your child's clothes regularly to ensure they are labelled so they are easily identifiable.

Please ensure that your child is wearing their P.E. kit on **Monday & Thursdays** for their lesson.

