

## Important dates and Celebrations:

Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Good Friday</b>	
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Stephen Lawrence Day</b>	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>Last day of Passover</b>	Jewish
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Holy Saturday</b>	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>St. George's Day</b>	
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>Shakespeare Day</b>	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Easter</b>	
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Orthodox Easter Monday</b>	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Yom HaShoah</b>	Jewish
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Laylatul Qadr (Night of Power)</b>	Muslim
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>Early May Bank Holiday</b>	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> May	<b>Eid ul Fitr (Tentative Date)</b>	Muslim
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Yom HaAtzmaut</b>	Jewish
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Lag B'Omer</b>	Jewish
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Ascension Day</b>	Christian
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Last day of Summer 1 term</b>	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Jubilee holiday for SJB – no school</b>	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	<b>Late May bank holiday</b>	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>Platinum Jubilee Bank holiday</b>	
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Pentecost</b>	Christian
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Shavuot</b>	Jewish
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Whit Monday</b>	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>INSET day – no school for pupils</b>	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Summer 2 term starts</b>	



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CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

**RISE UP**

**CARNIVAL**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our new unit this term is carnival. The children will learn about carnivals in different parts of the world and discuss the importance of celebrating and sharing our culture. In History, we will learn how and why carnival started and focus on the start of Notting Hill carnival. In Science, we will learn about the human senses that brings carnival to life and in Design and Technology we will be creating our very own headdresses.

Here's to a funfilled and colourful term.

Here as always,  
Ms. Sewell

**RISE UP**

**Summer 1 2022**

## Maths

We start the term by recapping previous learning and then moving onto learning about capacity and volume. Later in the term they will practice start to learn the basics of multiplication and division by making equal and adding and sharing equal groups. Finally, we will end this term by looking at position and how we can describe position in a mathematical way.

## Writing

In line with our 'carnival' topic, children will be reading books that are linked to carnival as well as body movements. They will continue to start the week with a recount and now fortnightly recounting their library trip. This will be followed by them immersing themselves into their story with a story map and an occasional role play. We are now extending their writer ability by encouraging them to make a change to their story by changing one thing such as the character, outcome or setting. This will help the children to become more creative writers.

## Computing

In line with our school belief of 'celebration' and our religious education topic, Islam, the children will create a digital greeting card to celebrate Ramadan.

## Reading

We continue to continue through our RWI programme with daily focus lessons. We are having a deeper push with Phonics this term as we approach the national Phonics screening. Allow me to remind you of the importance of practicing Phonics with your child daily and ensuring that they are able to identify the sounds in different words.

## Science

As part of our 'Carnival!' topic, the children will be learning about the human body and all the senses. They will identify different parts of the human body and recognise which body part is used for which sense. They will then link this learning to movement and how the different parts of their body and their sense helps enhance the carnival experience.

## Music

This half term, Year 1 will use their knowledge of pitch to continue learning how to play tuned percussion instruments such as the glockenspiel and boomwhackers.

# This half term in Year 1...

## History and Geography

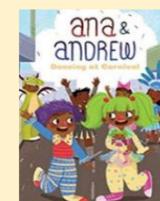
This term our topic is 'Carnival'!! The children will be learning about the origins of carnival, important figures such as Claudia Jones and her input in the Notting Hill Carnival. They will also learn about carnivals around the world namely the Notting Hill Carnival here and carnival in the Commonwealth of Dominica. This learning aims to teach our children the importance of uniting and celebrating cultural differences.

## Religious Education

Our big question this term is 'What does it mean to be a Muslim?' They will learn the different reasons why the Qur'an is special to Muslims, how Muslims pray including wudu and how Muslim babies are welcomed into the world.

## We are reading:

We will be reading 'Malaika's Costume' by Nadia L. Hohn and 'Dancing at carnival' by Christine Platt.



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 **Wednesday** for their lesson.