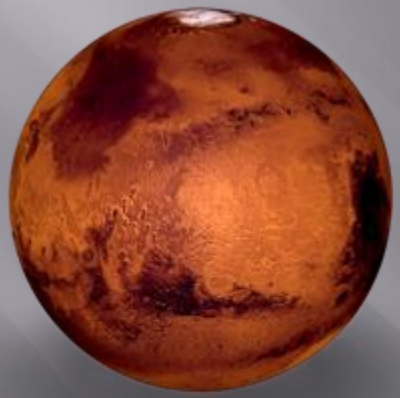
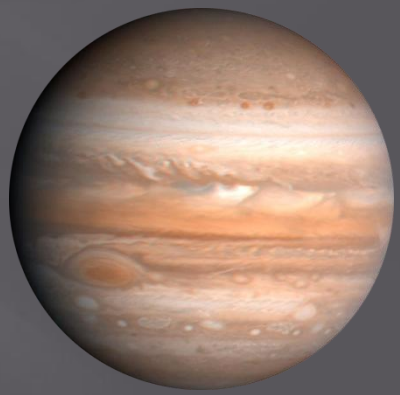
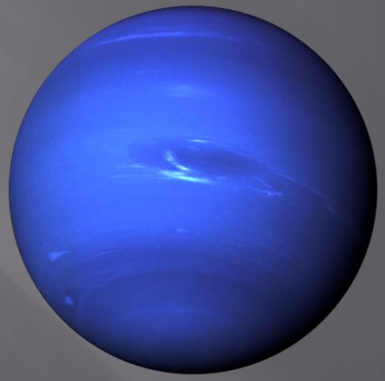
WELCOME TO KS1

MARS, JUPITER AND NEPTUNE CLASSES







September 2026

KS1 Team

Mrs Carpenter – Assistant Head(KS1)– Neptune Class M/T/W

Miss Cryer – Neptune Class W/Th/Fr

Mrs Coates – Jupiter Class

Mrs Lindley – Mars Class M/T/W

Miss Boatwright – Mars Class W/Th/Fr

Key Stage 1 Learning Support Assistants -

Mrs Adrian-Harris, Mrs Barnden, Mrs Lorage, Mrs Norman, Mrs Simendeeva, Mrs Tyler, Mrs Woolley

Maths support

Mrs Harrison



Topics





- **Autumn Term** – Dinosaur Detectives –





Snap, Crackle, Pop! –

In the Toy Box -



Christmas



- **Spring Term** – To Infinity and Beyond–

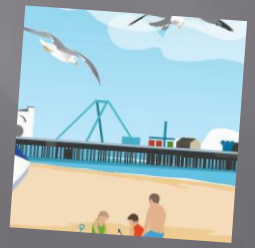
From Burn to Brrr!





- **Summer Term** – Bright Lights, Big City–

Beside the Seaside







Trips and Special Events

These are some of the trips and events that we are planning…





Autumn Term

- Gunpowder Plot – re-enactment (Fort Nelson)
- Nativity at St Michael and All Angels – 14 Dec 1:30





Spring Term

- Space Explorer's workshop at The Novium

Summer Term

- Great Fire of London re-enactment
- Spinnaker Tower and Southsea trip





Daily timings

- **Drop off**
- 8.40am to 8.45am
- Children can go straight to class during this 5 minute window
- Teaching assistants will be on playground – teachers ready to meet in classrooms

- **Break time 10.25/10.30 – 10.40/10.45**
- There is usually free fruit and vegetables for the children to have at break time, but you can provide your child with their own fruit or vegetables if preferred

- **Lunch time 12.00 – 1.00**

- **Collection**
- 3.15pm



Items needed for school

- **Daily**

- Water bottle (to be taken home each day for washing) – please fill with water only
- Packed lunch (unless ordering a school meal)
- Book bag (with reading books and reading log in)

- **Every Wednesday and Friday**

- Come to school in PE kit

- **Every Friday**

- Reading log, ready to be checked





Home learning



- **Reading books and library book**
  - Your child will have a book banded reading book (colour sticker), a school library book and a phonics reader. The library books are encouraged to be books for enjoyment or books that can be read to them by an adult.
  - Reading books will be changed once a week and reading logs will be checked **EVERY FRIDAY**. Reading logs should be signed by an adult every day that your child reads. This should be a minimum of three times per week to achieve the readership award.
- **Keywords – reading and spelling**
  - Any children who needs to learn to read and/or spell the keywords for their year group, will be sent these home to learn and practise. Checked fortnightly. These are in the back of your reading logs.
- **Number Fact Fluency/ Maths Quickfire packs**
  - Your child will either have number fact family cards (11 levels) to practise at home or once completed Fact Fluency, they will move onto KS1 Quickfire scheme (12 levels). Checked fortnightly. See KS1 page on website for information and 'How to…' video.
  - Numbots log ins and info will also be sent home during the year.
- **Topic Learning Enquiry Homework**
  - For each topic we will send home a selection of fun tasks for you to choose from and complete with your child(ren) and then bring it to school to share with the rest of the class.

Reading Characters - Reading Logs

Please use the 'Reading Dogs' when discussing books with your children – they really do help to develop a good all-round reader.

Vocabulary Questions with Vocabulary Victor
Vocabulary Victor will help you to look at how authors and poets have chosen to use certain words and phrases.



Retrieval Questions with Rex Retriever
Rex Retriever will help you to go into a text and retrieve the facts.



Sequence Questions with Sequencing Suki
Sequencing Suki likes everything in order! She will help you sequence the events in a text.

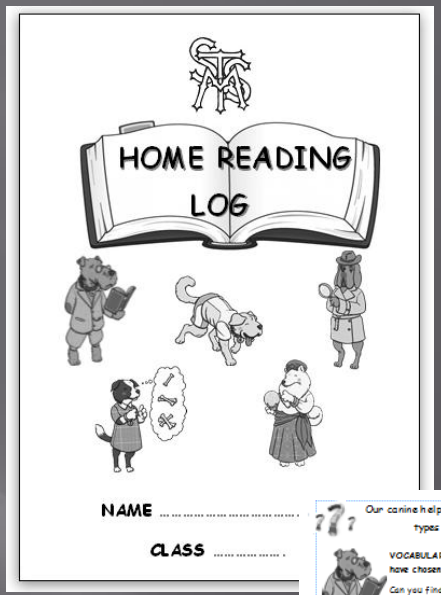


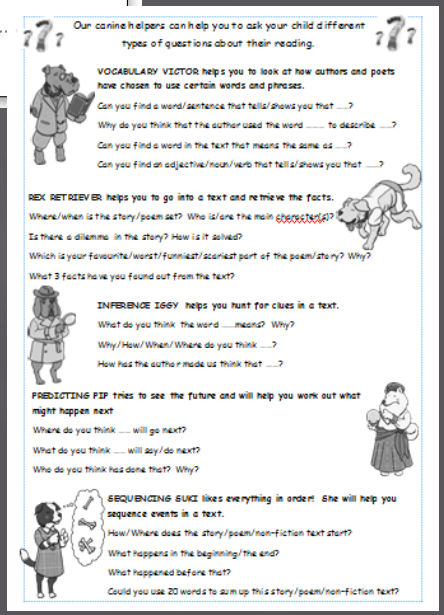
Inference Questions with Inference Iggy
Inference Iggy will help you hunt for clues in a text about how someone might be feeling or why something is happening.



Prediction Questions with Predicting Pip
Predicting Pip tries to see the future and she will help you work out what might happen next.






Our canine helpers can help you to ask your child different types of questions about their reading.

VOCABULARY VICTOR helps you to look at how authors and poets have chosen to use certain words and phrases.
Can you find a word/sentence that tells/shows you that .....?
Why do you think that the author used the word ..... to describe .....?
Can you find a word in the text that means the same as .....?
Can you find an adjective/noun/verb that tells/shows you that .....?

REX RETRIEVER helps you to go into a text and retrieve the facts.
Where/when is the story/poem set? Who is/are the main character(s)?
Is there a dilemma in the story? How is it solved?
Which is your favourite/worst/funniest/scariest part of the poem/story? Why?
What 3 facts have you found out from the text?

INFERENCE IGGY helps you hunt for clues in a text.
What do you think the word .....means? Why?
Why/How/When/Where do you think .....?
How has the author made us think that .....?

PREDICTING PIP tries to see the future and will help you work out what might happen next
Where do you think ..... will go next?
What do you think ..... will say/do next?
Who do you think has done that? Why?

SEQUENCING SUKI likes everything in order! She will help you sequence events in a text.
How/Where does the story/poem/non-fiction text start?
What happens in the beginning/the end?
What happened before that?
Could you use 20 words to sum up this story/poem/non-fiction text?

Use the questions in the home reading log.



Uniform

- White tailored shirt and school tie
- School trousers, skirt or pinafore in mid grey
- Summer dresses - French navy gingham
- V-neck navy blue sweatshirt or sweatshirt cardigan
- Grey socks or grey tights. White socks can be worn preferably only with summer dresses.
- Flat, closed dark shoes (No boots)

P.E. kits (worn to school Weds & Fri)

- Navy P.E. shorts, plain white top and plimsolls/trainers Warm clothing for outside PE (Fri) or cold weather – plain navy blue jogging trousers/leggings and sweatshirt (no hoodies please). Trainers preferably for outdoor P.E.

PLEASE ENSURE ALL UNIFORM IS NAMED CLEARLY

Hair and jewellery

- In the interests of safety children should not wear jewellery to school. (Exceptions – medical alert bracelets/necklaces. Small stud earrings are permitted only if the child can independently remove them for PE lessons and put them back in afterwards. If a child is not able to do so, then small stud earrings may only be worn for six weeks after piercing, but must be covered, before school, by micropore tape on P.E. days. A watch may be worn but will need to be removed for P.E.
  - No make-up including nail varnish
  - Long hair should be tied back with plain navy or white hair bands, bobbles or clips.
    Extreme hairstyles and colouring are discouraged.



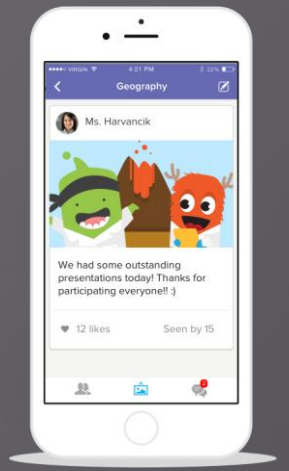
Keeping you informed

School website

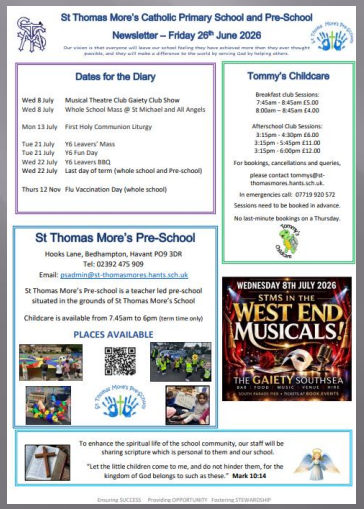


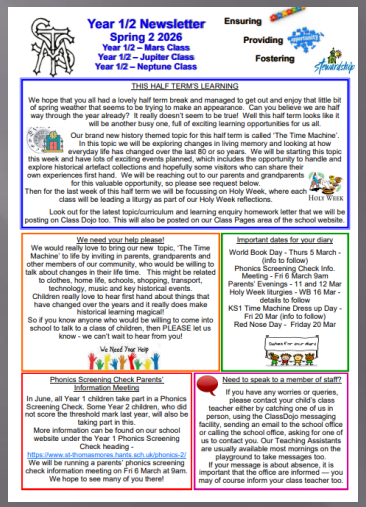
Class Dojo – Class Story



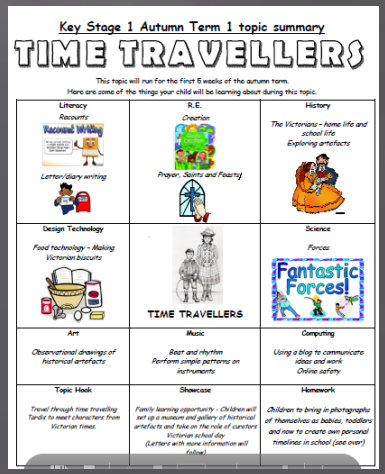


School/KS1 newsletter





Topic flyer/homework



If you have any questions, please do contact your child's teacher/teaching assistant either on the playground, through the ClassDojo account or via the school office email.



We are really looking forward to working with all our families this year.

Thank You