



Company Registered Number: 8517255

St John's Primary School

St John's Road, Wallingford, Oxon, OX10 9AG Tel: 01491 837305 Email: office.2567@st-johns.oxon.sch.uk

Headteacher: Miss Nicky Hughes

Dear Parents,

Unbelievably, the final term is just around the corner. Where has the year gone? For our final topic we are celebrating 'Wonderful Wallingford'. The topic will allow us to explore and appreciate the features, history and geography of the town.

The children will produce promotional leaflets and films for the town outlining some of its best locations and features, as well as produce poetry based on different locations around the town. We have booked the Corn Exchange as a chance to share and celebrate the work the children have done. Details of times and dates will be shared nearer the time.

During the topic we hope to incorporate a few trips to help to bring to life the history and geography of the town. We have a tour planned with a local historian and on the first Monday, June 4th we have a murder mystery tour of the town as our 'wow' start to the topic. We will also be heading into the market place to do some geography fieldwork. Please be prepared for requests to volunteer.

In history, we will be learning about some of the bones found in local gardens and what they tell us about Wallingford's past. To accompany this, the children will learn about the Anglo Saxons, their technology, lifestyles, religions and weaponry. In DT they will make Anglo-Saxon shields and in art do line drawings of some of the famous buildings found around the town.

Cricket and Athletics is designated for PE. The designated times for PE are Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Forest School will continue on a Thursday.

Finally, we have a date for the annual Year 3 sleepover. It is a chance for the children to spend a night away from home and helps prepare them for residential in the future. The date for the sleepover will be July 5th. I will share more details and kit lists nearer the time.

The topic should be a great way to end the term. If you have any expertise or would like to share anything that would enrich this term's curriculum, please get in touch.

Best Wishes,

Mr Chandler



Wonderful Wallingford - Year 3 Topic Table

Classroom Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silhouettes of local landscapes • Portcullis display 	Educational Visits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local historian Guided Tour • Centre of Ecology and Hydrology MET Site
Wow Factor Launch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wallingford Treasure Trail 	Key Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tourism Leaflets • Non-Fiction Books • Michael Morpurgo – ‘Beowulf’ and ‘Arthur High King of Britain’
Outcomes /Open Day Focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wallingford Corn Exchange – Musical Performance and Poetry Recital 	Homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TT Rock Stars • Spellings • Guided reading activities
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing to Inform – A Guide to Wallingford • Writing to Entertain - Poetry 	RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different places of worship • Study of local churches • Anglo- Saxon gods
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data handling • Maths Review – Place Value, Addition and Subtractions, Multiplication and Division and Fractions 	Art / DT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anglo-Saxon shields • Weaving / sewing • Local observational drawings
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of Topics 	Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Technology • Wallingford Sound-scape
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music Technology • Video editing – tourist guides 	PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletics • Games, including Rounders
		Forest School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local archaeology
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anglo Saxons • Wallingford – from Burgh to Borough 	French	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘Around town’
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weather observations and recordings • Field work around the town • Map work 	PSHE + SMSC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet Safety