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Dear Parents

Hello! This is just a quick letter to introduce ourselves and to tell you about some of things your child will be studying this year. After working with them quite closely last year, we are looking forward to teaching our classes - both separately and all together as a full class - lots of super personalities and a great mix of characters.

This year is going to be slightly different for them as they are moving to the head of the school as year 6. They will be given more responsibility, their work will be at a higher level, but there will also be lots of fabulous experiences for them along the way.

Although the children are in two separate classes in the mornings for Maths and English, there will be many opportunities for the children to work together as a whole class - being taught by both of us during afternoons.

Your child will cover a range of topics and subjects throughout the year, for example in this first term children they will be exploring Extreme Earth in their topic lessons and Classification and Adaptation in Science. In RE they will be looking at the Kingdom of God, Love and Justice, as well as working alongside younger children in Peer Prayers and leading their own collective acts of worship.

The amount of homework the children receive will increase; you will find a timetable and some homework expectations on the sheet attached. It is important for children's learning to be supported and consolidated at home. Your child will also choose a new reading book weekly that they will be expected to take home and read.

Your child will have PE on Wednesdays so will be expected to have their kits in on this day, this may change throughout the year, we will keep your child updated on when they need their kits in (as clothes may be needed for trips or other activities). We recommend that your child has their PE kit in school at all time - in case a PE slot becomes available. Children are expected to wear black shorts and a white t-shirt alongside pumps for inside or trainers for outside.

We know something a lot of you will be thinking about is the Year 6 SATs. We don't want anybody to worry about them just yet! Throughout the year children will be covering a range of topics to help support them in their learning, closer to the time extra revision sessions in school will be available, but year 6 is not just about the SATs, we still want the children to enjoy their final year at St. Teresa's! The SATs will take place the week beginning 6th May, please ensure your child is in during this week. We will keep you updated on this area throughout the year.

In year 6, the children have the opportunity to go on lots of exciting trips - including the residential trip to Lledr hall and trips swimming and to the park later on in the year, again letters will be sent home as and when necessary.

We are aware that in Year 6, some children make their own way to and from school - if this is the case with your child, a letter is needed giving permission for this for our records. This also links to the use of mobile phones; we understand that some children may bring a mobile phone to school if they are making their own way to and from, however, if they do bring a phone to school it will need to be turned off before they come into school and it will be kept in the school office throughout the day.

You can keep up to date with everything that is happening by going on to the school website which is www.st-teresas.salford.sch.uk or follow us on Twitter @StTeresasRCP.

We are eager to get this term underway and support your child through this very important year. If you ever have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to ask, we will be more than happy to help.

Kind Regards

Miss Gibbons

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