



St Ignatius Primary School
Welcome to Year 6 Spring Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a peaceful and holy Christmas and would like to wish you a happy New Year. We are looking forward to another productive term to begin 2018 and hope to see a continuation of the good start Year 6 has made in their studies.

These are the main learning objectives this half term that we will be focusing on:

English: For non-fiction writing this term, we will be writing autobiographies. Our next unit is based around the legend of 'King Arthur' and will lead up to the children writing their own Arthurian legend. It will use a variety of media to stimulate the children including clips from the BBC dramatisation series 'Merlin'. It is a scheme developed by the University of Exeter aimed at delivering SPaG through English lessons.

Maths:

- Understanding and manipulating decimal numbers
- Finding fractions and percentages of amounts
- Using symbols, pictures and letters to represent numbers (algebra)
- Calculate ratio and proportion

Our Topic this half term is '**Has There Ever Been a Better Time To Live Here**' a topic about local history. Our Main Learning Objectives are

- Building different bridges from paper
- The history of Alexandra Palace and the BBC's 80 year TV broadcasting celebrations.
- Who Isambard Kingdom Brunel was and railway bridge building engineers

RE: Our learning topic is '**Exploring the Mass**' and will cover:

- Using appropriate religious terms to show an understanding of/explain the meaning and purpose of Holy Communion.
- Making links between the Mass and the Bible.

Our CORE LEARNING SKILL this term is 'It's Up To You'. Stiggy, the school mascot will be helping the children to learn these I can statements:

- I can explain where my talents lie and I can begin to recognise potential future ones.
- I can take an interest in the positive qualities of others, their interests and activities

General Reminders

- The children have PE on a Wednesday. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school and that all items are clearly labelled. Homework is given out each Thursday and expected back the following Monday.
- Spellings are also given out on Thursdays to prepare for a test each Friday.
- Also, please ensure that you encourage your child to read their reading books for at least 20 minutes a day and fill in their reading records with them *each night*. These must be returned to school daily to support teachers' monitoring of them.

Thanks for your continuing support.

Mr Masterson

Mr Rutherford

Mr Elufowoju Jr.