



Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Spring Term

Our Lady & St. Joseph Primary School



Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 2 have had a very successful first term! The children have been working hard in all areas of learning and I'm very proud of each and everyone of them. We have a busy term ahead. I am looking forward to the continued focus and effort from all the Year 2 children across the curriculum.

Literacy: We will be focusing on writing for different purposes in fiction, non-fiction and poetry using a range of punctuation. We will start by using the traditional tale 'Little Red Riding Hood'. We will also explore writing instructions, recounts and humorous poetry. Phonics and guided reading sessions will also occur daily. Spelling will be linked to sounds covered in phonics, and words from the Year 2 Spelling Curriculum. Grammar will continue to be a very important feature of literacy.

Numeracy: We will focus on ensuring key skills are embedded to continue the year well. We will continue to secure our knowledge of number and place value, addition and subtraction. We will also be using real life situations to help children become more confident with multiplication, division, time, money, shape and fractions. Children will continue to have weekly mental maths lessons to improve their mental skills and agility.

Religious Education: This term, we are covering the "Local Church - Community", the "Eucharist" relating to "Lent and Giving, preparing to celebrate Easter".

Science: We had a super first term, learning about animals (including humans) and living things & their habitats. We will continue to identify and compare the suitability of everyday materials, as well as learn about plants and their needs.

History: We will focus on famous people that have inspired us, from the past and present day. This will be a collection of people from different walks of life: Nelson Mandela, Pope Francis, Queen Elizabeth, Malala, Roald Dahl, The Beatles and Andy Warhol.

Geography: We will continue to secure our knowledge of the United Kingdom and its countries. We will also explore the different countries that our inspirational people come from.

ICT: We will use the ICT suite and iPads for cross-curricular learning. We will research topics and learn to present findings in a variety of ways.

Monday

Home learning due back.
New spellings sent home.
PE.

Tuesday

Reading books are changed.

Wednesday

PE

Thursday

Reading books are changed.
Whole class music lesson with Miss Dyer.
Home learning is sent home.

Friday

Weekly spelling test.

Weekly Timetable

Your continued support at home is invaluable to help your child's progression this year. Please encourage your child to engage in a wide variety of texts and ask your child questions about the text. We will be doing lots of work in school but practising the 2, 5 and 10 times tables at home would be very beneficial to your child, alongside helping them to recognise coins and encouraging them to read time and weight.

Many thanks, Claire Walshe (Year 2 teacher).