



Our Lady and St Joseph Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2025 - Year 4



Welcome to the Autumn term! It's been lovely seeing the children back in school and we're excited for the year ahead. Please see below for an outline of this term's curriculum.

	English	This term we will be reading the books <i>Christophe's Story</i> by Nicki Cornwell and <i>The Iron Man</i> by Ted Hughes. The class will be writing for a range of purposes as well as continuing to develop their comprehension, grammar and punctuation skills. This will include; capital letters and full stops, question marks, exclamation marks and commas, suffixes and homophones.
	Maths	This term our topics are Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Area and Multiplication and Division. We will practice fluency and mental maths as well as our times tables.
	R.E/R.S.E.	Topics we will cover this term include: The Prophet Elijah, John the Baptist, Abraham's story and links between Jewish and Christian faith, and Advent.
	Science	Our first topic in science is Animals including humans (what do our bodies do with the food we eat?); our second topic will be Electricity (What can we do with electricity?).
	History/Geography	Our Geography topic this term is 'What are Settlements?' and our History topic is Roman Britain. We will also be celebrating Black History month in October.
	Art/D.T.	The first half of this term we will be developing our drawing skills as we explore optical illusions and the work of M.C. Escher and Bridget Riley. We will then focus on painting, looking at landscapes and experimenting with light and colour. In the second half of the term, the class will make their own light up robot using simple circuits in D&T.
	P.E.	This term in PE, children will be following the Autumn 1 curriculum from the <i>Beyond the Physical</i> scheme of work. Year 4 will be covering the topic 'Look Run Avoid'.
	Music	Children will be learning about great composers in the Western tradition and beyond. They will continue to develop their understanding and internalise key musical skills and techniques through singing, playing instruments, composing and performing for their peers. In the second half of the term, we will also be preparing for our Christmas performance.
	Computing	Computing lessons will take place in the Spring and Summer Terms.
	Spanish	Children will continue developing their Spanish language skills by exploring how to speak about their hometown and how to count in tens and hundreds. They will also be learning how to speak about transport and the different ways of getting around!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Homework due in - Spellings sent home 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PE with Mr. Tyrone Brissett 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reading books changed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Homework sent home (due back on Monday) - Music with Ms. Kari 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spelling, times tables and mental maths test - Spanish with Mr. Cotter

Reading record books and reading books should be brought into school daily. We look forward to continuing to work with you this year and supporting your child's learning and development. *Ms. Bayford*