



# Our Lady and St Joseph Curriculum Newsletter

## Autumn Term- Year 1



Welcome to the Autumn term, we hope you had an enjoyable Summer break! Please see below for an outline of this term's curriculum.

	<b>English</b>	We will be reading a variety of books (fiction, non-fiction and poetry). We will be following our Phonic Scheme 'Floppy Phonics' learning new digraphs and 'Helpful Words'. Please see their spelling test sheets to find our focus sounds each week. We will be writing sentences using full stops, capital letters, finger spaces and adjectives as well as joining clauses using 'and'.
	<b>Maths</b>	Our topics are 'Place Value', 'Addition and subtraction' and 'Geometry & shape'. We build children's understanding by using concrete objects then pictorial representation then finally abstract questions. We will focus on arithmetic calculations and well as reasoning word problems to challenge children.
	<b>R.E/R.S.E.</b>	Our RE topics are 'Creation and Covenant' and 'Prophecy and Promise'. We will be focusing on Laudato Si, the Story of Creation and The Creed. Our RSE topics are 'Religious Understanding' and 'Created to Love Others'.
	<b>Science</b>	Our Science topic is 'Animals including humans'. We will answer our Big Question; 'What kind of animal am I?' using key vocabulary including mammal, herbivore, carnivore and omnivore.
	<b>Geography History</b>	Our Geography topic is 'Seasons'. Our History topic is "Guys Fawkes and The Gunpowder Plot" and we will celebrate Black History Month in October.
	<b>Art/D.T.</b>	We will explore the artist Alma Thomas throughout Black History Month. We will focus on drawing and painting techniques.
	<b>P.E.</b>	Our main sports and skills are "Invasion Games and "Gymnastics'.
	<b>Music</b>	We will be exploring sounds, identifying instruments and learning about tempo and pitch. This will be based on music from around the world. We will also be taking part in a Nativity performance!
	<b>Computing</b>	Computing lessons will take place in the Spring and Summer Term.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Home learning to be handed in.</li> <li>○ Please bring your Reading Record in.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Please bring your Reading Record in.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Please bring your Reading Record in.</li> <li>○ New Reading books given out, old ones collected in</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Home learning given out</li> <li>○ PE. Please come into school in PE kit.</li> <li>○ Please bring your Reading Record in.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Spelling test and new spellings given out.</li> <li>○ Please bring your Reading Record in.</li> </ul>

Reading Records should be brought in every day, Monday-Friday. Please ensure the Reading Records are signed each week.

Many thanks for your continued support!

Ms. Bayford