# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## EYFS Curriculum Newsletter: Summer Term 2024





This term we will continue to subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 10 through practical games and equipment such as dice and dominoes. We will be recalling and writing number bonds up to 10. We will be comparing quantities, exploring greater than and less than, as well as using mathematical language to compare and talk about shape and size. We will also be completing simple addition and subtraction sums.



This term our focus texts will be: Yucky Worms, Arrrhhhhggg Spider, What the Ladybird Heard and Handa's Surprise. We will concentrate on story structure and vocabulary. The children will be creating their own stories using new vocabulary and knowledge that has been learnt. We will be writing simple sentences, captions, lists and instructions that can be read by others and themselves. We will start handwriting sessions to ensure children are forming letters correctly.

## Physical development

We will be continuing our weekly PE lessons on a Tuesday morning. Negotiating space and obstacles safely as well as developing strength and balance. Children will have the opportunity to explore our PE apparatus to develop these skills.

We will also be developing our fine motor skills further to enable good pencil grip and control. Using small tools effectively including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery.

#### Summer 1:

Marvellous Minibeasts

#### Summer 2:

Amazing Animals



#### **Reminders**

Friday's Forest sessions - children will continue to need wellies as it can still get quite muddy!

PE kit to be worn every Tuesday.

#### Watch this Space!

Details of our school trip coming soon.





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This term we will be continuing to learn about the special events of Easter and focus on the Ascension story. We will discuss how the Apostles felt when Jesus returned to Heaven. As well as learning about Pentecost and how Jesus sent the Holy Spirit. We will be creating artwork inspired by the flames of the Holy Spirit. Continuing to embed our Mission Statement, Jesus said, 'Love one another as I have loved you' into everything we do and reflecting on how we can live our lives as Jesus wants us to. We will join in with collective worship through whole school assemblies and Church services.

## Understanding the World



Our Forest sessions will continue into the Summer Season, providing us with opportunities to observe the final change in season this year. We will be focusing on comparisons of environments and using maps and atlases to learn about different countries.

The Children will also be learning about historical events and how things were different in the past.

#### Expressive Arts and Design



The Children will be given the opportunity to partake in creative activities including: junk modelling, cooking, painting, crafting as well as collaborative art. They will be learning to perform songs, rhymes and poems and try to move in time to music.

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be trying new activities to build our confidence and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. As well as improving our focused attention for longer lengths of time during both independent and guided tasks to prepare children for the transition to Year 1.

#### Home Learning Activities

When you have completed a task, please bring it into school to share with the class.

Share the story of Pentecost with an adult. Draw a picture and write a simple sentence about it.



Draw or paint a picture of King Charles III and find out some facts about him.



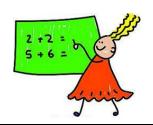
Learn about the life cycle of a butterfly and then use craft materials to make a butterfly.



Make something healthy with an adult and then make a recipe



Solve some addition sums.



Write a fact sheet about yourself.



### Supporting your child at home...

#### Reading

Your child will bring home their Little Wandle decodable book each day. The decodable book will be familiar to your child and they should be able to read about 90% of the book confidently. The 'Parent Tips' at the front of the book are a great guide for working through the book. Your child will choose a 'Reading for Pleasure' book from the Library. They may not be able to read this book independently so please enjoy reading it together. Reading to your child is a great way to help them engage with and develop a love of reading.

# Healthy child, Healthy mind!

## CHILDREN Sleep Tips!



**Bedtime Routine** 



**Consistent Bedtime** that allows the needed amount of sleep - during weekend too



**Daily Exercise** 



Set the Scene with a calm atmosphere in a room that's cool & dark



**Small Snack** 



**TURN OFF DEVICES** t least an hour before bedtime

Online sites to support learning:





### **Prayer Focus**

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During the Summer Term, our daily prayers are produced in partnership with Mission Together, which is the children's branch of Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission. Designed to coincide with the Feast St Peter and St Paul (29th June), the Day of Many Colours is Mission Together's annual day of celebration. It is a time to remind children that we belong to God's worldwide family and is based on the five 'continent' colours of the Mission Rosary. Each day, the children will focus on a different continent and pray the Mission Together Prayer which you could also pray at home.

## Mission Together

#### Mission Together Prayer:

May all children

In the world Share love

Share friendship and live In the peace

Of God's love.

Now and forever.

Amen

