

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter: Summer Term



This half term we are counting in 2s, 5s and 10s and beginning multiplication by adding equal groups, and division by sharing. We will find halves and quarters of shapes, amounts and look at position, direction, including left and right.

In the second half of the term we will be looking at numbers to 100 in terms of tens and ones. We will be learning about money: recognising coins and notes and making amounts with coins. We will also be sequencing the days of the week and reading time on an analogue clock: o'clock and half past.



Reading, phonics and writing continues to be taught daily and SPaG sessions will continue. This is where children are taught how to improve their written work through looking at word choices, punctuation and spelling.

The books we read in class through our Clever Writer sequences, will provide us with opportunities to explore texts and authors. Modelled and shared writing lessons focus on reading work, to make sure it makes sense and using punctuation correctly.

In Science the children will be observing and finding out about plants. They will discover how a variety of seeds grow into plants and learning how to classify the different parts. We will also have the opportunity to plant our own seeds 😊



Explorers



Our topic this term is Explorers. The children will find out about their own country, other countries and oceans across the world.

We will investigate and interpret the past and find out about Christopher Columbus.

Reminders

PE days:

Tuesday and Thursday
Full school PE kit to be worn.

Phonic Screening Check:

Week commencing 10th June

Watch this Space!

Details of our trip to be shared soon.

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Christians believe that the Spirit of God is active in everyone. The feast of Pentecost is the celebration of the gift of God's Holy Spirit and the trust God places in people to be witnesses in the world.

This term we shall explore the universal church and the role of CAFOD. We will think about our role in our school, our church family and in the world. We will compare our lives with those of children in other countries through the food they eat, games they play and their school life.

Humanities



This term's focus is Explorers. Learning will include using world maps, atlases, and globes to identify the United Kingdom, as well as other countries, continents, and oceans. We will investigate and interpret the past and find out about Christopher Columbus.

Creative Learning



In Art we will be concentrating on the work of Georges Seurat. In D.T we will be trying to construct boats, exploring different materials and floating and sinking.









PSHE



Our themes during PSHE lessons will focus upon Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship. Children will also be supported with their transition to Year 2.

Explorers Home Learning Project

Please complete each task at home and have them all in school by Monday 24th June so that you can showcase your learning. The best way to manage your time will be to complete one or two tasks every two weeks. As soon as you have completed a task, bring it into school to share with your class.

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| <p>Create a map for an adventure that you would like to go on. How many different places will you visit?</p> | <p>Make a list of all the things you would need on your adventure? Pack your bag or make a costume – bring in a photo.</p> | <p>Find out about a real explorer. Where did they go? How long did it take and what did they discover?</p> |
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| <p>Make a model of how you would travel on your adventure.</p> | <p>Write a story about being an explorer. Make it into a book to share with us.</p> | <p><u>WILD CARD:</u> Use your imagination and surprise us!</p> |

Prayer Focus

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






Supporting your child at home...

Reading

Please listen to your child read every day to support them in becoming a fluent reader and to build their 'reading mileage'. Asking questions will also help your child to process and comprehend what they are reading. Reading to your child is a great way to model how a story should be read using expression, punctuation and intonation. Children are expected to have a book from our Reading Scheme (which is closely matched to their reading ability) and a free choice book from our School Library.

Healthy child, Healthy mind!

CHILDREN Sleep Tips!



Bedtime Routine
with activities & habits the same every night



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



Daily Exercise
to burn energy & increase body temperature



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



Small Snack
before bed that is light & healthy - so not hungry



TURN OFF DEVICES
at least an hour before bedtime

Online sites to support learning:

