

# Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

## Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter: Summer 2025



Focussing on Multiplication and Division, the children will apply it to daily situations and reasoning problems. Children will be working on numbers up to 100, knowing 1 more /1 less and counting forwards and backwards. Through our focus on Measurement unit we will concentrate on time. We will also be learning about money .



Reading skills will continue to be developed through a range of learning opportunities during our daily Reading Workshops. Immersive Reading sessions will focus on the text: Arthur and the Golden Rope and will allow the children to engage with the story, explore themes and issues and develop creative responses.

Clever Writer lessons focus on the development of skills (ingredients) required to write. Writing checklists are used daily so that children practise, apply and embed skills that are taught.



The children will learn about states of matter by investigating the properties of solids, liquids and gases. They will explore changes of state through relatable examples, explain the water cycle changes and study how the temperature affects the rate of evaporation.

## Exploration



### Reminders



#### Reading:

Please listen to your child read each day, help them to notice and correct any errors and fill in the Reading Record.

#### PE days:

Tuesday and Thursday.  
Full PE kit to be worn to school on those days.



### RE



**Community:** Exploring the idea that community is an essential and enjoyable part of life for people of every age and faith.

**Giving and Receiving:** Being thoughtful for life, for people and gifts. This is a vital part of our relationships with one another, and when praise and appreciation are experienced, we are able to relate on a deeper level.

**Self-discipline:** Uniting ourselves with Christ in order to grow, through the practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.



### Humanities



In Geography, the children will learn about rivers: their place in the water cycle, the name and location of major rivers and how they are used.

In History, children will investigate the changes in children's lives through time. They will explore work in more detail, learning about a day in the life of a working child and the significance of Lord Shaftesbury.



### Creative Learning



The children will be creating their own sculptures.  
In DT, children will adapt an existing biscuit recipe while considering the cost of ingredients against a set budget.





Our themes for PSHE this term will be based around managing risk, Online Safety and ways we can make a difference to other by helping or the environment. We will also explore Media influence.

## Home Learning Projects

Complete each task over the term at home. Manage your time by completing one task per week. As soon as you have completed a task, bring it to school to share with the class.

All projects to be completed by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

			
<p>We are going to be exploring plants, flowers and growing. Draw, paint or make your favourite plant.</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>	<p>Make a model of how you would travel on your adventure. It might be a car, boat etc!</p>
			
<p>Write a story about being an explorer. Make it into a book to share with us.</p>	<p>Use your fabulous Clever Writer skills to write a story of your choice.</p>	<p>Make your very own Maths game. You can focus on any of the Maths we are learning this term.</p>	<p>This is your opportunity to decide what you would like to find out and present!</p>

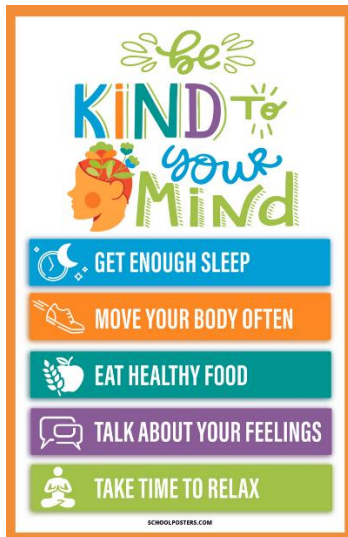
## Reading



To encourage your child to become a lifelong reader, it is important that reading experiences are regular and positive. Reading to your child, sharing books with and listening to your child read with lots of encouragement and praise is so valuable. Your child is following our Little Wandle Phonics programme they will bring home a fully decodable Big Cat book. It is their time to show how they are progressing.

**Please listen to your child read at least three to four times per week and record this in the Reading Record.**

Children will also bring home a free choice book from our School Library to share and read with your help.



## A prayer of hope

God, our loving Father,  
in this Jubilee Year,  
you remind us of our call to love creation.  
Help us to work together  
to replant, repair, and renew.

**Guide us on our journey  
as pilgrims of hope.**

Jesus, our light,  
In this Jubilee Year,  
you remind us of our call to love  
our neighbours  
and to set free those who suffer.  
Help us to treat everyone with dignity,  
to be fair, forgiving and kind.

**Guide us on our journey  
as pilgrims of hope.**

Holy Spirit, our inspiration,  
in this Jubilee Year, you remind us of our  
call to grow in faith and love.  
Help us to hear you in scripture, to see  
Jesus in others,  
and to be united as God's global family.

**Guide us on our journey  
as pilgrims of hope.**

Amen

Written in  
collaboration with Missia

