

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter: Spring 2026



The children will learn how to multiply 2-digit numbers by a 1-digit number through the expanded column method. Learning will then move to geometry including 2D and 3D shapes, angles and parallel and perpendicular lines. The children will also learn about money including making £1 and £5 and adding and converting money. Children will then recap their learning on place value and column addition and subtraction.

Settle Down!



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This term's topic is 'Galilee to Jerusalem.'. Children will explore the Gospel of St Matthew and look at different scriptures and parables. They also learn about the Feast of the Epiphany and understand that the miracles of Jesus were signs to show that the kingdom of God was beginning. Children will then explore the parables that Jesus shared.



Reading skills will continue to be developed through a range of learning opportunities during our daily Reading Workshops. Read aloud sessions will focus on the text: *Vita and the Gladiator* which 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.



Reminders



Attendance Dojos!

Your child receives an Attendance Dojo every day they are in school. Being in school more than 95% also gains extra rewards!

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:

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



Humanities



In History, children will learn what life was like during the time of the Roman Empire, the impact it had on Britain and how the people in Britain responded to the Romans. In Geography, we will focus on different types of land use and settlements focussing on how land is used in our local area and how the land use has changed.



Creative Learning



In Art, we will be developing our drawing skills by looking at still life drawings. We will learn to shade and create texture. In DT, we will be learning how to create strong structures and create nets. We will end by creating our own castles.

Our first focus is Rocks and Soils where the children will explore different rocks and learn how fossils are formed. We will then move on to learning about Light and Shadows. We will investigate reflections and shadows and look at how shadows change throughout the day.



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PSHE


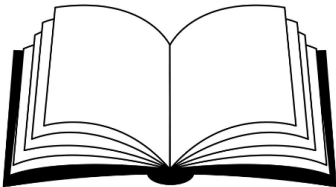



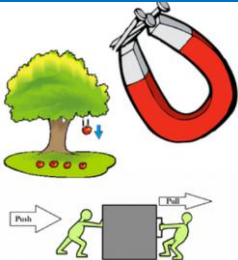
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Our themes during PSHE lessons will focus on 'Safe or Unsafe' and 'Helping each other to stay safe.' We will explore many issues and scenarios and discuss multiple ways that we can keep safe.






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 6th March.

			
<p>Create a map of your local area. Try to include what the land is used for. (e.g. shops, schools etc)</p>	<p>Research and create a fact file on daily life in Roman Britain</p>	<p>Research and make a Roman shield. What design will you create?</p>	<p>Create a piece of art linked to our Roman topic. (e.g. create your own mosaic)</p>
			
<p>Create your own shadow puppets to tell a story!</p>	<p>Find and identify rocks in the area around where you live.</p>	<p><u>WILD CARD:</u> Use your imagination and surprise us!</p>	<p>Find out what the area you live in was like in the past!</p>



-  GET ENOUGH SLEEP
-  MOVE YOUR BODY OFTEN
-  EAT HEALTHY FOOD
-  TALK ABOUT YOUR FEELINGS
-  TAKE TIME TO RELAX

Prayer of Unity

My adored Jesus,
 May our feet journey together - May our hands gather in unity
 May our hearts beat in unison - May our souls be in harmony
 May our thoughts be as one - May our ears listen to your Word
 And may our lips pray together, to gain from the eternal Father
 The gifts of Faith, Hope and Love.
 Amen



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 praise and encouragement is so valuable.

If your child is following our Little Wandle Phonics programme they will bring home a fully decodable Big Cat book. If your child has completed the programme they will be reading from our Oxford Reading Tree scheme before moving to our selection of Free Readers.

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.

Reading at home also earns extra Dojo points!

