

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter: Summer 2026



Focusing on Fractions, the children will build their knowledge of addition, subtraction and multiplying within Fractions. The children will move onto place value applying it to daily situations and reasoning problems. We will also dive into ordering and comparing numbers up to 700,000. Through our focus on calculations, children will enhance their understanding of the four operations.



Reading skills will continue to be developed through a range of learning opportunities during our daily Reading Workshops. The texts we will focus on are "Kensuke's Kingdom" and "The Night Bus Hero."

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. Genres covered will include retells, reports and setting descriptions.



The children will learn about Living things, looking at the lifecycles of plants, mammals, birds, amphibians and insects. They will also be focusing on the Human timeline, discussing getting old, puberty and comparing human gestation periods with other animals.

STEWARDSHIP



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 Wednesday
Full PE kit to be worn to school on those days.



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The children will be focusing on The Sacrament of Confirmation and understand its links with scripture from the Prophets through to The Acts. Children will be reading through various scriptures and be reflecting upon the messages within them, through group



Humanities



In Geography, the children will learn about deserts: the characteristics of a desert biome, features of deserts, how we use them and compare similarities and differences between two physical environments.

In History, children will investigate the Ancient Greeks and when they lived. We will focus on who lived on Mount Olympus, how they were governed, the impact they had on democracy and the influence they have had on us today.



Creative Learning



In Art, the children will focus on architecture, through observational drawing, printmaking, and building design. In DT, children will be sewing their own stuffed toy.



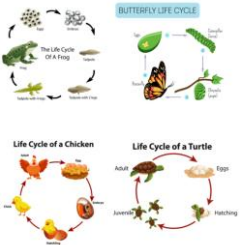


PSHE



Our themes for PSHE this term will be based around being our best and growing and changing.

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 12th June.

			
<p>Make a model to explain your understanding of desert biomes.</p>	<p>Write a report or facts explaining how Ancient Greeks influence us today.</p>	<p>Create a lifecycle of one of the following: mammal, plant, reptile, bird or amphibian.</p>	<p>Create your own Greek Myth comic strip.</p>
			
<p>Make a poster or a leaflet about the importance of how we can stay safe online</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>

Be KIND to your MIND

- 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



Ways to Help Your Child at Home

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!

