

Our Lady's Catholic Primary School

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter: Autumn 2026



Focussing on place value, pupils will have experience of reading and writing both numerals and worded numbers up to 10,000,000. When looking at addition and subtraction, pupils will explore effective strategies and methods.

Multiplication and division strategies will be solidified in Year 6, where pupils will have a secure knowledge of written and mental calculations to solve problems involving increasingly larger numbers.



Reading skills will continue to be developed through a range of learning opportunities during reading lessons. We will begin looking at typical SATs style questions within lessons to build children's confidence when answering these, early on in the year. Clever Writer lessons focus on the development of skills (ingredients) required to write. Children will apply relevant skills across a variety of genres, developing independence when deciding upon which writing skills will make their writing most effective.

The children will learn about light through investigating the properties of light and using evidence to support conclusions. They will look at how the eye is protected from light as well as describing how light travels and how we see luminous and non-luminous objects.



Peace and Conflict



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:

6KE - Monday and Thursday.
6PR - Monday and Thursday
Full PE kit to be worn to school on PE days.



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Creation and Covenant: Children will explore the meaning of the stories of Creation from scripture and what it teaches us about our relationship with God. We will discuss how Jesus restores sin and the beliefs around Baptism.

Prophecy and Promise: We will look at the influence of Old Testament women and seek to deepen our understanding of Mary, Our Mother, as the fulfilment of Old Testament promises.



Humanities



In Geography, the children will learn about global population and the reasons why population distribution changes. They will consider push and pull factors as well as historical changes over time which have contributed to population change.

In History, children will explore the impact World War II had on the people of Britain. Using sources, children will investigate aspects of the Second World War to draw conclusions.



Creative Learning



The children will complete an artist study in Art and Design through the focus of painting and mixed media. They will develop artistic techniques to master their skills.

In DT, children will further explore their textiles skills by creating a waistcoat. They will use the cycle of evaluating existing products and refining designs to make their own waistcoat.



PSHE



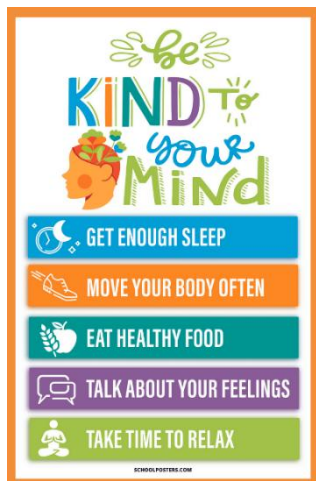
Our themes for PSHE this term include assertiveness, safe and unsafe touch, positive relationships, recognising and celebrating difference, prejudice-based bullying, bystander behaviour and gender stereotyping.

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 November.

			
Find out the most densely populated countries. Perhaps you could put the data into a bar chart.	Write a report or facts explaining what life was like for an evacuee during WWII.	Use your sculpting skills to make a model linked to any of our Year 6 Topics.	Take your artistic skills further by recreating a piece of art that inspires you.
We are all different and that's what makes us wonderful!			
Make a poster or a leaflet about why it is important to recognise and celebrate difference.	Use your fabulous Clever Writer skills to write a story of your choice.	Make your very own Maths game. You can focus on any of the Maths we are learning this term.	This is your opportunity to decide what you would like to find out and present!



Prayer Focus: Letting Our Light Shine Through Simplicity and Care

Inspired by the life of Saint Francis, our school community is called to share God's love through simple acts of kindness, respect, and stewardship. This term, may we care for one another, protect the environment, and allow the light of Christ to shine through everything we do.

Loving God,

As we begin this new school term, we thank You for the gifts of learning and community.

In this Year of Saint Francis, help us follow his example by caring for Your creation and respecting all people. May our actions bring peace, our words bring kindness, and our school community be a beacon of Your hope. Bless our pupils, families, staff, and governors.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace." – Saint Francis of Assisi



Reading

You can support your child by:

- **Read together regularly** – Sharing a book, can spark great discussions and deepen understanding.
- **Talk about what they read** – Ask questions like "Why do you think the character made that choice?" for deeper thinking.
- **Encourage variety** – Fiction, non-fiction, magazines, news articles, and poetry all broaden vocabulary and knowledge.
- **Make it enjoyable** – Let them choose books that interest them.

Just 20–30 minutes of reading each day can make a huge difference to your child's progress and confidence.

If you would like recommendations for books please don't hesitate to contact us. 😊

Please encourage your child to spend a little time every day focussing on:

