



Our Lady and St Joseph Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term- Year 1



Welcome to the Spring term, we hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break! Please see below for an outline of this term's curriculum.

	English	We will be retelling stories, using suffixes (-ed, -ing) and using '?' and '!'. We will base our learning on a variety of books including <i>The Storm Whale</i> by Benji Davies, <i>Dragon Post</i> by Emma Yarlett and <i>Ruby's Worry</i> by Tom Percival. We will also continue to focus on phonics and reading to prepare for the National Phonics Check in June.
	Maths	Our topics are addition and subtraction within 20, measurement (length, weight, height and volume) & place value within 50. This includes; counting in 2s, 5s and 10s & understanding the value of each digit in a 2-digit number.
	R.E/R.S.E.	Our RE topics are Local Church (special people), the Eucharist (special meals) and Lent (including Easter) and Islam. Our main RSE topics are about personal relationships and keeping safe (online safety, physical contact and body privacy).
	Science	Our Science topic is materials. We will be distinguishing an object from the material it is made from, testing the properties of materials and sorting materials based on their properties. We'll be doing lots of experiments!
	Geography History	Our Geography topic is 'People and their communities'. We will be learning about the different places people live including cities, rainforests, coasts, and deserts. Children should be confident naming all 7 continents & 5 oceans of the world & the 4 countries & capital cities of the UK. Our History topic is 'My family History' looking at how life has changed since the 1950s and 1960s.
	Art/D.T.	We will learn about mechanism-levers & sliders in DT by making 2D moving pictures.
	P.E.	In PE with Mr. James, Year 1 will be focusing on dance for the first half of the term and striking and fielding skills for the second half.
	Music	Year 1 will learn marching songs and musical vocabulary that develops their playing skills such as 'Allegro' and 'Adagio' for fast and slow. They will learn how to compose music to a story
	Computing	Our Purple Mash Computing topics are 'Lego Builders' and 'Coding'. All children's usernames are at the front of Home Learning books should you wish to practise at home as well.
	Spanish	We will be focus on numbers 1-10, months of the year & the <i>Happy Birthday</i> song.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Homework to be handed in. ○ Please bring your Reading Record in. ○ PE. Please come into school in PE kit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please bring your Reading Record in. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please bring your Reading Record in. ○ New Reading books given out, old ones collected in. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Homework given out. ○ Music 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Spelling test and new spellings given out.

Reading Records should be brought in everyday Monday-Friday. We will collect the Reading Records in on Tuesday and hand them back on Wednesday with new reading books. Reading books and library books should be handed in on Tuesday. Please ensure the Reading Records are signed each week.

Best wishes,

Ms Akdogan