



Year 3
Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn Term
Our Lady & St Joseph Primary School



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. It has been lovely to see you and the children again and it's so great to have them back in school. All children have all been enthusiastic in their learning and have adapted well to new school routines. My priority this term is to ensure the children are happy in school, enjoying their learning and have a positive attitude towards being back. We will be exploring the curriculum in a variety of ways and making it fun and enjoyable for the children. I look forward to teaching the class again and working with you for a successful Year 3.

English: We will be focusing on fiction, non-fiction and poetry. This term we will complete a range of activities around the following texts:

Here We Are - Oliver Jeffries

This Moose Belongs to Me - Oliver Jeffries

Stig of the Dump - Clive King

We will continue with phonics, grammar and guided reading sessions weekly, following the objectives for the Year 3 Curriculum.

Maths: We will be following the Year 3 Maths Curriculum, beginning with number and place value. We will then move on to addition and subtraction and multiplication and division. Children should be secure in their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and will be working on 3, 4 and 8s in Year 3. There will be a times tables test and mental maths test every Friday.

Religious Education: We are covering a variety of topics this term, starting with the "Domestic Church-Family" and then "Signs and Symbols in Baptism" and finally "Advent; preparing to celebrate Christmas". We will discuss and reflect on the coming Sundays Gospel through the Word on Wednesday. The other faith we will learn about is Judaism.

Science: In Autumn 1 our science focus is 'Forces and Magnets'. We will learn about types of forces, why they are important and how they affect us. We will also be investigating magnetism.

History: In Autumn 2 we will be learning about the Stone Ages. The children will have the opportunity to learn about the prehistoric man and how he developed during the age. We will learn about this topic using a range of sources and explore art through it too.

If you have any questions, please let me know.
Many thanks, Miss Cahill

Spanish: We will be learning numbers 1-20, exploring the colours and using everyday commands. We will also be exploring Spanish speaking countries around the world.

Art & Design: Children will have the opportunity to explore a range of mediums through art and create work inspired by a range of artists. Art will also be linked to other areas of the curriculum.

Home Reading: Regular reading is essential for the children. To start, children will continue to have a reading record which should be returned each Friday. They will have the opportunity to choose books from the library to take home/keep in their tray. Please sign your child's reading record and specify if they have read to you or independently.

Weekly Timetable

Monday

Home learning due back.
New spellings brought home
PE (Children to wear their kits to school)

Tuesday

Music with Ms Dyer

Wednesday

Word on Wednesday - please see the school website and take time to read this with your child.

Thursday

New home learning is set

Friday

Spellings returned.
Weekly spelling, times table and mental maths tests
Reading Books are changed.