

Year 2 Spring Term 2022 Curriculum Summary for Parents

Happy New Year to you all! We are looking forward to another exciting term of working together with you to support your child's learning.

Religious Education

In RE, our topics this term will be 'Books' and 'Thanksgiving'. Children will be learning about the scriptures and recognise that they the treasured Word of God for both the Jewish and Christian communities. They will also learn about the lectionary which is used at Mass. In our Easter topic, children will learn that the word Eucharist means 'thanksgiving'. Children will make links between The Last Supper and how the parish family gathers today to give thanks to God.

English

In Speaking and Listening children will be encouraged to participate in drama sessions, this will include acting, freeze frames and role plays. The children will also read their work to improve confidence and reading skills. In Reading we will be focusing on understanding what they have read and making predictions and inferences. In Writing children will be learning to write a fiction story including key features such as similes, conjunctions and contractions. In Handwriting we will begin joining letters through daily taught lessons. In Spelling we will continue focusing on different phonic sounds and spelling rules to enhance the children's writing.

Mathematics

In Maths, we will be learning about the relationship between multiplication and division. Sharing and grouping strategies will be taught alongside the 2x, 5x and 10x tables to develop their mathematical understanding. Statistics will also be covered in the form of tally charts and pictograms. We will then move onto the properties of shapes and conclude the Spring term with a series of lessons about fractions.

Science

Our first Science topic this term is 'Our Local Environment'. This topic brings together study of living things, habitats and growing plants and is strongly focussed on outdoor learning and investigations. The second topic will be 'Young Gardeners'. Children will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. They will also find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

Computing

In Computing children will gaining an understanding of what algorithms are, how they are used as programmes on digital devices and the importance of precise instructions.

History

In History, we will be learning about holidays in the 1950s and 1960s, particularly seaside holidays. Children will continue to develop their use of sources, with a particular focus on the use of oral history (from classroom visitors, friends and family) and images.

Geography

In Geography, we will be focusing on making links between the everyday experience of buying and eating food with the children's growing geographical understanding of the world. The children will be learning about regional food and this will support a greater understanding of the map of the UK. By working together to create a 'Great British Food Map', and through eating a 'Great British Picnic', they will continue to develop their understanding of physical geography.

Art & Design and Design Technology

This term we will be developing a wide range of art and design techniques using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space. We will also be designing, painting and sculpting different products.

Music

The children will be continuing to explore rhythms, beats and the difference between low and high pitch vocals, with opportunities to showcase this in groups and individually.

PSHE & RSE

In PSHE, children will be developing their understanding of keeping safe and managing risk both indoors and outdoors. Pupils will learn about fire and road safety and by the end of the unit, they will also be able to assess whether a situation is safe or unsafe. In RSE, children will learn about their relationship with the wider world. We will explore how human beings are relational by nature and are called to love others in the community through service, dialogue and working for the Common Good.

Spanish

In Spanish, children will be learning how to say the months of the year. We will also recap previous learning such as numbers, colours and days of the week through various activities, videos and games.

PE

In PE children will explore pathways, levels, shapes, directions, speeds and timing. They will be given the opportunity to work independently and with others to perform and provide feedback beginning to use key terminology.

This is just a brief summary of what we will be learning about this year. Please talk to your child about regularly about their learning.