



# St Gregory's Catholic Academy Curriculum Newsletter Year 3

Autumn Term 2024

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can Be  AnythiNg  
Be Kind



## ClassDojo

We will be using Class Dojo to share homework, letters and other important information this term. You can use this to send teachers any work your child is completing at home!

## RSE/PSHE

Through stories and discussions in RSE, we will learn that we are designed for a purpose. We will celebrate our similarities and differences and understand how to look after our bodies as gifts from God.

In PSHE, we will start by learning about our self-image and the way in which we can represent our identity online. We will learn where money comes from before focusing on our health.

## English

In English, our first focus will be letter writing. Our letters will be based on the true story 'Coming to England'. This inspiring story celebrates how 11-year-old Floella Benjamin arrived in England in 1960 to start a new life in London. We will move onto writing a narrative based on the fantasy story 'Nen and the Lonely Fisherman'. In taught spelling lessons, we will learn important spelling rules that we can apply into our writing.

In Reading, we will develop our fluency and retrieval skills through exploring key texts in comprehension sessions.

## Science/Computing

This first term's Science topic 'Animals, including Humans' will broaden our scientific knowledge and vocabulary as we gain an understanding of why we need the right types and amount of nutrition. Then we will learn about the role of the skeleton and muscles to support, protect and aid the movement of an animal. Following this, we will move onto Living things and their Habitats.



## The Arts

During music lessons this term, our focus will be listening. We will start by listening to a range of music genres before learning how to keep a steady beat and follow a rhythm. Our musical sessions will help to build our self-confidence, creativity and give us a sense of achievement.

Our DT focus this term will be cooking and nutrition where we will learn how to make a bread-based product.

Drawing will be our main focus in Art this term. We will focus on the use of line through a range of materials that link to exploration of line including mono-print and oil pastel printing.

## Religious Education

In our first RE topic of 'Homes', we will explore how God is present in every home. We will learn that this is expressed in the love that binds our families together. Our 'Promises' topic, will help us to understand that the promises made at Baptism and Confirmation are the call to a new way of life.

We will then move onto Judaism and will learn about the Synagogue' the Jewish place of worship. Our final topic this term of 'Visitors' will emphasise the coming of God, in the person of Jesus.

We will be able to explain that Advent is a time of preparation and waiting.



## Maths

We begin the Autumn Term with Place Value. We will learn to read and write numbers up to 1000 in numerals and in words recognising the place value of each digit.

We will gain confidence in counting from 0 in multiples of 4, 8, 50 and 100.

Next, we will move on to Addition and Subtraction and learn to add and subtract numbers with up to three digits.

Finally, this term we will study Multiplication and Division. Following on from previous KS1 knowledge, we will be introduced to the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.



## History / Geography

In History, we will learn about the changes that occurred from the Stone Age, through the Bronze Age and the Iron Age. We will explore sources and evidence to help us ask questions and find answers about this period in the past. Building on our historical vocabulary, we will learn how to communicate history and think like a historian.

In Geography, we will identify key terms and features of the water cycle and look at the features of a river. We'll consider the effects that flooding has on the local community, talk about what our local river is used for and discuss the impact this has upon local residents.



## PE

This term we will have PE on a **Monday and Tuesday**. Our focus will be long-distance running. During these lessons we will develop our stamina and endurance by running over longer distances and for longer periods of time.



## MFL

In Spanish, we will begin by learning the basics needed to greet and introduce ourselves to others. We will know key vocabulary of numbers, months, days, colours and pets. By the end of the term, we will be confident in being able to read and write simple words and phrases.