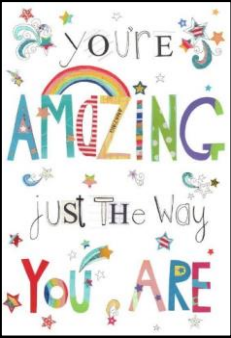




St Gregory's Catholic Academy Curriculum Newsletter Year 3

Spring Term



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

RSHE



In the first part of the Spring Term, we will look at emotional wellbeing and exploring the difference between feelings and actions. The Life Cycles unit looks at the miraculous nature of human conception and birth.

Then, we will learn about God's everlasting love for us with the story of the Prodigal Son. Finally we explore how to develop healthy relationships with our friends.

Religious Education

In our first topic called Journeys, we will learn about the special journey we make through the Liturgical year and the importance of pilgrimage.

Our next RE topic this term is called, "Listening and Sharing". This topic consists of two parts. First we will learn about the Liturgy of the Word, the Homily and the Prayers of the Faithful. Next the children will find out about the celebration of the Eucharist.

We will end the term with our Lenten topic "Giving All". We will find out more about Lent and how Jesus gave His all on Good Friday.

English

Our English focus this term is persuasive writing. We will explore the key features of writing to persuade through developing the skills needed to convince our reader of our point of view. During this term, we will learn how to use these skills to write adverts, posters and letters.

Over this term, we will continue to work on learning new spelling rules and work on applying them in our writing.

In reading sessions, we are strengthening our comprehension skills through retrieving, inferring and make predictions using a variety of texts. To support this, children should continue to use Reading Plus at home regularly to improve their reading fluency.



Maths

This half term we will continue to improve our multiplication and division skills, learning our 3, 4 and 8 times tables including the associated division facts. We will be consolidate our learning and improving our mental maths skills through daily timetable recalls.

After that, we will be looking at length and perimeter before moving on to fractions.

Later in the term, we will be focussing on capacity and mass.

Science

Our new science topic this term is light. During this topic, the children will start by learning the importance of light in order to see things before classifying light sources. We will look at the ways in which we can protect our eyes from the sun and investigate how shadows are formed.

Next we will begin our Plants topic. We will find out about the parts of a flowering plant and how plants transport nutrients. We will also explore the lifecycle of a plant and learn about seed dispersal.

The Arts

This term in Art we will be focussing on colour and paint.

Our focus in Design Technology we be construction.

During our music sessions, we will be exploring the song 'Three Little Birds', before moving on to 'The Dragon Song'. We will explore these pieces of music through games, finding the pulse, rhythm and pitch as well as singing and playing instruments.



PE

This term PE will be on a Tuesday and Friday and Our PE lessons for Spring will begin with the topic 'Wild Animals' in Dance. We will be moving on to invasion games.

Please come to school on a Tuesday and Friday in your PE kit.



Spanish

This unit aims to teach pupils some of the basic vocabulary and structures of the modern foreign language studied. They will learn how to ask questions and respond to others to greet and introduce themselves. During this term, we will learn the key vocabulary of numbers, months, days, colours and pets. Using this knowledge, we will begin to read and write vocabulary and progress to reading and writing simple phrases.

