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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school! We hope you all had a lovely Easter Holiday ☺ The weather is beginning to get a little warmer however we ask that you continue to send the children into school with a jacket as the weather is very unpredictable. When you drop your children off in the morning please do not accompany them into the building. There should be no parents in the classrooms or cloakroom areas unless an appointment has been booked with a teacher. Thank you for your support.

**St Ignatius RC Primary School**

**Year 1**

**Summer 1**

**English:**

* Reading the story ‘Dougal’s Deep Sea Dive’.
* To sequence the events of the story.
* Exploring new vocabulary in the story.
* To sequence sentences to form a narrative (writing an email from one of the story characters).
* To explore sounds and to create a ‘sound poem’ about water.

**Maths:**

* To find half and quarter of a number and divide numbers equally.
* To read and write numbers from 1 to 20 in numerals and words.
* To make connections between arrays, number patterns, and counting in twos, fives and tens.
* Solving one step problems that involve addition and subtraction.
* To add three numbers together spotting pairs to ten and doubles.

**RE: The Resurrection**

During this topic we will look back on the events of Holy Week. We will begin to understand the importance of the resurrection of Jesus and what it means for us. We will learn how Jesus helped the disciples to understand that he was truly alive and that Jesus returned to heaven after forty days and to reflect on the promises he made.

**Science: Why is water so precious?**

* To learn about the water cycle.
* To understand what water is used for.
* To carry out a science experiment: Do plants need water to survive or will any other liquid do?
* To take part in creative activities involving water.

**Our Core Learning Skills unit is ‘Becoming Better Learners’** focussing on the children showing greater independence in their learning at school.

**General Reminders…**

* PE is on a Friday for Year 1. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit. Please label **all of your child’s clothing**, as it makes it easier to sort out lost or mixed up clothing.
* Well done to all those who consistently arrive at school on time everyday. We appreciate the effort you make and we can see the positive impact it has on the children’s learning.

Please ensure that if your child is part of an after school club taking place at school that they are picked up **on time**. Consistent late pickups may result in your child’s place being given to someone else.

Please make sure you sign your child’s reading record to inform us that you are hearing your child read at home.

Thanks for your support, Ms Harte and Mrs Walker