

Class 3 Newsletter

Autumn 2022

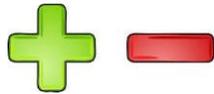


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Maths

This term the children will work on:

Number Recognition and ordering - Children will be working on ordering and recognising numbers to 20, counting on and back from a given number. We will be grouping and sorting objects in a range of different ways.



Addition and Subtraction - We will then use the skills we have learnt to begin addition and subtractions facts, such as number bonds to 10 and 20, and solving number problems.

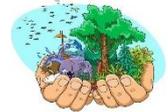


Shape, Space and Measure – We will explore 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, time and measure.

R.E

This term in RE we will be looking at the topics:

Families – We will look at our own families and think about how we belong to God's family. Please could we ask you to send a photo of your family for our class display.



Belonging – We will learn about belonging to a family, school or sports club, and will visit St Joseph's Church to look at the font and how the children's baptism shows they belong to God's family.

Waiting - Towards Christmas the children will learn about the time of Advent and the Nativity Story.



English

Our main focus this term will be consolidating our sentence writing skills, where we will concentrate on the use of capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. We will also be focusing on handwriting and making sure we can form our letters correctly.

We will explore a range of genres and books beginning with labels and captions, linked to a wide variety of books, such as 'The Colour Monster' and 'Katie Morag'.

Phonics

We will continue with our phonics this term. Year 1 will start with consolidating the Initial Code before moving onto the Extended Code. Our Year 1's will be working towards the 'Phonics Screening' in June and will be practicing segmenting and blending real and pretend words. Reception will start the Initial Code and will be learning letter/sound correspondence and how to blend and segment sounds in words.

Reading Books

The children are encouraged to read at home for at least 20 minutes every night. Please support your child in completing their new reading record each night by signing that they have read. The children are encouraged to talk about their books and make a response to the book, before moving onto their next book.

Year 1 Spellings

Encourage your child to practise their spellings daily during the week.



Geography— Where I Live

We begin our geography topic by investigating our local area and finding out about where we live, and our wider environment. We will be learning how to use aerial maps and atlases, and will be making our own maps of our local area.



The Learn It, Link It topic information sheet can be found in your child's homework book.

History – The Great Fire of London

For our history topic in the second part of the Autumn term, we will be learning all about the Great Fire of London. We will be learning all about Samuel Pepys and the importance of his diary. We will also be investigating how the fire was able to spread so easily, and much more!



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Science – Animals, Including Humans

We will be looking at animals and will investigate grouping different animals. Moving on we will be looking at ourselves and our bodies and how to keep ourselves healthy. We will be discussing healthy and non-healthy foods and designing our own healthy meal.



Other Curriculum Areas:

PE: For PE, we will be focusing on throwing and catching and using bats to hit a ball.

Music: Our music lessons will explore a range of styles from around the world.

Computing: We will use Purple Mash for Computing and continue to develop our computing skills.

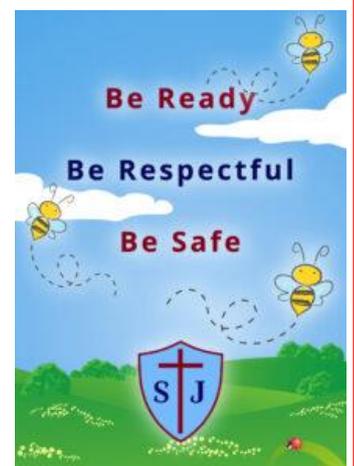
MFL: We will have weekly Spanish lessons where we will learn simple words and phrases, and how to count to 10.

Art & DT: during Art and DT, we will explore the work of Van Gogh and recreate his work through drawing and painting. We will also learn about construction.

Polite Reminders

Children need to bring their reading records, reading books and spelling books into school every day. Please continue to encourage your child to read daily and sign their records with any comments of praise and areas for development.

Class 3 need to wear their PE kit on Tuesdays – this should be a plain navy-blue tracksuit/shorts with a plain white t-shirt. Long hair should be tied up with bobbles and hair bands that are the school colours. Short hair should not be extremely short and hair gel/spray is not permitted. For more information regarding school uniform and PE kits, please visit: [School Uniform – St Joseph's Catholic Academy Norton \(bhcet.org.uk\)](http://School Uniform – St Joseph's Catholic Academy Norton (bhcet.org.uk))



If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office to arrange a telephone call.

Miss Thomas and Mrs Pilling