



Summer Term – Second Half

6.6.21- 21.7.21

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Year 1 Curriculum Newsletter

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Our Mission Statement

We would like to be recognised by the quality and depth of respect and love, which we show towards each other. Mutual respect and tolerance are central to our way of life at St. Mary's as we meet Jesus Christ in each other.

***WELCOME:** We hope that you have all had an enjoyable half term. In our Year 1 Summer Curriculum Newsletter we will outline the main areas of learning for your children over the next half term. The newsletter is designed to give you clear information about the subject areas we will be covering and also give you an indication of how you can support your child's learning. You are always welcome to talk to us after school or communicate through our contact books.*

Important dates

Monday 6th June: Inset day – Children not at school.

This half term we will carry out the year 1 phonics screening.

Monday 20th June: school photographer coming to take class photos.

Tuesday 21st June: Jubilee Day

Wednesday 22nd June: Sports Day

Thursday 23rd June: contingency sports day!

Saturday 25th June: SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

Wednesday 29th June: St. Peter and St. Paul Mass

Thursday 7th July: Year 1 trip to Broadstairs – details to follow.

Friday 8th July: Day of many colours

We are hoping to organise a Teddy Bears' picnic....date to be confirmed.

Thursday 21st July: BREAK UP FOR SUMMER **2 P.M.**



Literacy

During our literacy lessons we will continue to reinforce the use of phonics. Guided reading sessions will continue to develop phonics and comprehension skills.

Poetry: *We will be exploring a range of poems based on the seaside. We will develop the knowledge of poetic patterns and descriptive language.*

Non-Fiction Writing: *The children will use books and the computer to do some research to find information with which they will produce a piece of factual writing.*

Fiction Writing: *We will build on the story writing skills we have been learning and continue to develop writing stamina with longer stories - extending and developing our descriptive language with the use of prefixes and suffixes.*



Mathematics

During our maths lessons we will continue to reinforce children's understanding of the number system and the skills of written and mental calculations. We will continue to use practical methods to develop understanding and record working out using jottings and number lines.

Number- *We will continue our work on missing numbers; furthering our development of addition and subtraction using 1 and 2 digit numbers. We will be re-visiting tens and ones. **It is important that the children are secure knowing and understanding numbers to 100 and confident in number bonds to 20 by the end of term ready for Year 2.***

Problem Solving: *The children will use and apply their number skills with word problems. They will experience opportunities where they need to choose the correct operation including addition, subtraction, division and multiplication.*

Shape, Space and Measure: *This term we will reinforce measurement using standard units of measurement (centimetre, metre, litre, millilitre, kilograms, and grams). We would like you to investigate this at home **practically**. For example use weighing scales to bake or talk about units of measurement on food packaging.*



Religious Education and R.S.E.

In our RE lessons we will be exploring Miracles. The children will learn about the miracles that occurred during the life of Jesus. The children will reflect on how Jesus can help us and how we can help others.

In our RSE lessons we will continue to look at how we are part of different communities



Science

Our science topic is a continuation of our topic about plants. We will also learn about seasonal changes in the weather.

Other Curriculum Areas

P.E.: *We are hoping to walk the children to Beckenham Tennis Club for tennis lessons. It is important that your child has a sun hat and bottle of water for every lesson. Please send them with a raincoat on colder days. Tennis rackets are provided but the children may bring their own on the day of lesson.*

Our sports coach will teach the children cricket and athletic skills.

History/Geography: *We will be looking at features of the seaside and learning about Grace Darling – a real life heroine.*

Computing: *The children will be learning a range of computing skills. We are going to introduce collecting and inputting data onto a spreadsheet. We will be looking at how technology is used outside school.*

Art and Design: *We will think about and plan a healthy picnic for a trip to the seaside and make fruit salad and sandwiches*

Music: *The children will continue to have lessons with Miss Ambrose.*



Homework and How You Can Help At Home

*Reading is the most important homework in Year 1. We would like you to read with your child for at least ten minutes every day. Please spend some time asking questions and encourage your child to give their opinions about the text they have read. It is also very important for you to read to your child, modelling the use of **punctuation** and **expression**. Please make sure your child reads a range of **fiction** and **non-fiction**. The Library is a good way to extend your child's reading experiences.*

We will continue with our homework schedule to give out homework on Thursday and to be returned by Tuesday.

And Finally

Thank you for all your help and support, which is very much appreciated both by the staff and the children.

*Please ensure that all uniform, including new summer items, is **clearly named**. Could we remind you that the children need plimsolls, shorts and a t-shirt for indoor P.E. Trainers are required for outdoor P.E and the trim trail. The children will also require **named** summer hats and should always have a **named** water bottle in school.*

Some useful websites; www.ictgames.co.uk , www.topmarks.co.uk , and the BBC websites are also very useful.

We trust that you have found this information useful.

Here's to a happy final half term in Year 1.

