



**Summer Term – Second Half**

**2.6.25- 23.7.25**

# 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:** Where did that year go? We are now entering our last half term. We are so proud of how the children have managed the transition from Reception to Year 1 – it is not easy and they have all worked so hard and grown up such a lot. In our Year 1 Summer Curriculum Newsletter, we will outline the main areas of learning for your children over the final 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 2nd June: Inset day**

*This half term we will carry out the year 1 phonics screening - don't panic! Just practice!*

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> June 2, July, 9 July** Tennis lessons at Beckenham Tennis club---we will need volunteers to walk down with us please. Details to follow. Both classes will be in the afternoon.

**Wednesday 18th June:** Sports Day – details to follow

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June:** class photographs

**Saturday 28th June:** SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR Please join in and volunteer to support our school

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July:** Day of Many Colours  
Rec and Yr 1 Liturgy in Beckenham Place Park

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July:** Bastille breakfast

**Wednesday 23rd July** Mass 9.10

**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 place value: re-visiting tens and ones, furthering our development of addition and subtraction using 1 and 2 digit numbers. **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.***

*We will be looking at money – recognizing coins and understanding the values of 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p, 20p, 50p, £1 and £2 coins. Please encourage your children to handle coins at home and to know which are which.*

**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 capacity, using non- standard units of measurement we will be looking at time – o'clock and half past. We will also look at position and direction.*



## **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*

*We will also be following “Our Happy Mind” scheme.*



## **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 will be walking 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.***

*Miss Neville will teach the children athletic skills and preparation for Sports Day activities.*

**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, 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 Ms Barnes.*



## **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 **fluency, 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 this year, which is very much appreciated by both 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](http://www.ictgames.co.uk) , [www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk) , [www.purplemash.com](http://www.purplemash.com) 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.

Mrs. Westley, Miss Mabey and Miss Kinner

Here is our timetable – as always, it is subject to change!

KS1 2024-25	8.40 – 8.50	8.50 – 9.25	9.25 – 10.10		10.30 – 11.15	11.15 – 12.00		1.25 – 2.25	2.25 – 3.05
Monday	Early Morning Work	Maths –		B	English –	RE –		L	RE (2pm) - Art
Tuesday	Early Morning Work	9.00 - 9.25 KS1 Hymn Practice Mrs Westley RG (1)	Phonics	R	Maths –	English (including handwriting) –		U	PPA & Music
Wednesday	Early Morning Work	9.00 - 9.30 Wednesday Word	Maths –	E	Phonics	Handwriting lesson	Science	N	PE & RSE Story Time
Thursday	Early Morning Work	Maths		A	English – (including Little Wandle Phonics)		C	Class liturgy 2:55	Computing -
Friday	Early Morning Work	RE		K	Maths (practical)	English (grammar) -		H	Geography Celebration Assembly

