

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Curriculum Information Letter

ENGLISH

Roman Diary - Autumn 1

- Identify different verbs tenses
- Write own diaries and recounts

I am a Roman Soldier - Autumn 1

- Write poetry inspired by the poem 'I am a Roman soldier'

The Iron Man - Autumn 2

- Use similes to write description.
- Use thesauruses to develop vocabulary.
- Write own mystery story.

Non-Chronological Reports - Autumn 2

- Look at the features of non-chronological reports.
- Write non-chronological report linked to Geography work.

HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY

Romans in Britain - Autumn 1

In this unit, children will learn about the impact the Roman empire had on life in Britain. They will learn about the spread of the Roman empire, the invasion of Britain and the eventual conquest. The children will also look in detail at some aspects of the Romanisation of Britain, such as the building of Roman roads and bathhouses.

Our European Neighbours - Autumn 2

In this unit, the children will use maps of Europe to label countries and capital cities as well as finding out about physical and human features of Europe. They will then research one country in Europe.

FRENCH

Autumn 1: Travel and Weather

Autumn 2: Expressing Opinions



Autumn Term ~ 2023

Year 4



RE

Autumn 1: The Bible

Children will understand the Bible is the story of God's relationship with his people. They will reflect on the lives of key Biblical figures including Abraham, Moses, Joseph and David. They will have some knowledge of the organisation of the Bible, and that it is the Word of God.

Autumn 2: Trust in God

In this unit, the children will learn Jesus' teaching on the importance of trusting in Him. They will explore the importance of trusting in God as well as the difficulties they may face through the stories of Zechariah, Mary and Joseph.

PSHCE

Relationships

- Families and friendships; features of healthy relationships.
- Safe relationships including online; how to voice/report concerns.
- Respecting ourselves and others; celebrating differences.

PE

Autumn 1: Netball and Athletics

Autumn 2: Fitness and Skipping/Dance

Swimming every day in the last week of autumn 2.

ART & DT

Art Autumn 1: Plants

DT Autumn 2: Christmas stockings

MUSIC

Autumn - Whole class ensemble recorder with Mr Rickson

Children will begin to learn the recorder. They will be developing their skills at reading simple music notations. They will also think about beats and rhythms.

MATHS

Place Value - Autumn 1

Reading and writing numbers to 10,000; comparing and ordering numbers to 10,000, rounding numbers, and Roman numerals to 1,000

Addition & Subtraction - Autumn 1

Addition and subtraction with 3 or more digits using column methods.

Area - Autumn 2

What area is and how to calculate it as well as comparing different areas.

Multiplication & Division - Autumn 2

Multiplying by 10 and 100, dividing by 10 and 100, multiplying and dividing by 3, 6, 9 and 7. Multiplying three numbers.

SCIENCE

States of Matter - Autumn 1

The children will be sorting and describing solids, liquids and gases. We will look at understanding melting and freezing points of different materials and explain evaporation and condensation.

Sound - Autumn 2

This topic is about how vibrations cause sounds and how sounds travel, as well as how sounds can change pitch and loudness. The children will learn about how sounds are made, carrying out demonstrations of vibrations using tuning forks and musical instruments.

ICT

The Internet - Autumn 1

Children will understand the Internet as a network of networks.

Audio editing - Autumn 2

Children will investigate audio equipment.

The Statements and Virtues for Collective Worship this term are:

04.09.23	We are all special.	Respect & Courtesy
11.09.23	I can say one good thing about myself.	
18.09.23	I can say how I feel.	
25.09.23	I can laugh and have fun.	Thankfulness
02.10.23	I know what to do if I see anyone being hurt.	
9.10.23	I understand that rights match responsibility.	
16.10.23	I try to stand up for myself and others without hurting others.	
23.11.23	I try to be just and fair.	Hope
6.11.23	I can tell you how I look after myself.	
13.11.23	I can think before I make choices that affect my health.	
20.11.23	I can work, play, rest and pray each day.	
27.11.23	Simple things can make us happy.	
4.12.23	I try to love others as I love myself.	Patience
11.12.23	I try to follow our school and classroom rules.	
18.12.23	No statement for this week	

Suggestions for helping your child	Homework	Key Dates
<p>RE - Share the Sunday Gospel or chosen Bible verses with your child. Encourage children to say their prayers at the beginning and end of the day. Discuss role models and biblical figures that embody our school virtues and statements to live by.</p> <p>English - Try to hear your child read once a day and discuss what they have read. Encourage them to use a dictionary or thesaurus to look up unfamiliar words and try to use them in conversation. Look at the language used in different stories and discuss why the author has chosen this. Encourage writing for real purposes e.g. shopping lists, family recipes, postcards, holiday diaries.</p> <p>Maths - Practise times tables especially 6s, 7s, 9s, 11s and 12s. Encourage your child to look at the time at home and be aware of time in their everyday e.g. meal-times, bedtimes, routines, TV programme start and finish times. Do quick arithmetic with numbers you see e.g. on licence plates or measuring out food.</p>	<p>Reading books - Reading books will be changed as necessary. Please make sure their books and reading records come to school every day to read in class, and for teachers to record reading in themselves. Please try to listen to your child read at least three times a week.</p> <p>English - one piece of English homework will be set each week, focusing on grammar and punctuation or reading comprehension.</p> <p>Maths - one piece of work will be set each week focusing on the current Maths topic in class, or on consolidating previous learning.</p> <p>Children should also practise their set tables on TT Rockstars at least weekly.</p> <p>Homework will be given on a Friday and due on a Wednesday.</p>	<p>PE - Wednesday and Thursday</p> <p>11th September - Murton Park Trip</p> <p>13th September - Curriculum Evening</p> <p>23rd November - Year 4 Class Mass</p> <p>28th September - Individual photos</p> <p>29th September - Class assembly led by Year 4</p> <p>6th October - Harvest Celebration</p> <p>13th October - Black History Assembly</p> <p>20th October - Show Racism the Red Card</p> <p>23rd & 26th October - Parents' Evening</p> <p>27th October - Training Day</p> <p>20th - 24th November - Anti-Bullying Week</p> <p>20th November - Assessment Week</p> <p>1st December - Advent Assembly</p> <p>3rd December - Victorian Fayre</p> <p>14th December - School Christmas Dinner & wear Christmas jumpers</p> <p>21st December - Christmas Party Day</p> <p>22nd December - End of term Mass at 1:30</p>