Holy Family Catholic School

Year 3 Spring Termly Learning plan



Subject	Focus
Religious	<u>Christmas</u>
Education –	Children will know the story of the shepherds and how they reacted to the news of Christ's birth. They will be able to empathise with the feelings and reactions of the shepherds at this event and know that the Crib is an important symbol of prayer and devotion.
	We Listen to God's Word at Mass
	Children will know and understand the importance of listening. They will know the structure of the Liturgy of the Word at Mass and will be able to discuss and write about why it is important that Christians listen to the Word of God.
	Lent Children will know and understand that the Season of Lent is a time when Christians try to change to
	be more like Christ. They will learn some stories about Christ bringing change to the lives of people who were sick and in need.
English	Spelling. Punctuation & Grammar The children will continue to develop their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills with a focus on expressing time, place and cause using conjunctions (e.g. when, before, after, while, so, because) and adverbs (e.g. then, next, soon, therefore). They will use a or an according to whether the next word begins with a consonant or a vowel, as well as using further prefixes and suffixes and understanding how to add them (e.gful, -ness). They will use paragraphs as a way to group related material and use headings and subheadings in non-fiction writing to aid presentation. Children will continue to develop their skills in adding inverted commas to punctuate direct speech.
	English Alternate guided and shared reading sessions will promote positive attitudes to reading and develop skills such as: identifying themes across a wide range of books, drawing inference from text, discussing unfamiliar words and phrases and summarising main ideas.
	Children will then read 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne and build character profiles, understand setting and build up to writing their own extended narrative. Children will participate in our whole school book project using the book, 'The Girl at the Front of the Class'. They will dramatise scenes from the book and write dialogue between characters. In the second part of the spring term, children will be introduced into the work of William Shakespeare by looking at 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' where the children will be exploring the vocabulary and language used alongside play writing. They will write their own playscript.
Mathematics	Multiplication, Division, Length, Perimeter and Fractions. This term, children will learn about related multiplication facts and how to multiply a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number with exchanges. They will link multiplication and division and divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number. Following this, they will be learning about length, perimeter, fractions, mass and capacity. The children will measure, compare, add and subtract: lengths (m/cm/mm); mass (kg/g); volume/capacity (l/ml) and will measure the perimeter of simple 2-D shapes. They will have continued practise of the 3-, 4- and 8-times tables in which they will become fluent.
Science	Light, Rocks and Soils.
	Children will learn that we need light to be able to see things and that darkness is the absence of light. They will learn than a light source emits its own light and recognise natural and man-made light sources. Children will understand that we see an object when light is reflected into our eyes and will recognise materials which reflect light well and materials which do not reflect light well. They will explore how shadows are made and investigate how a shadow changes depending on how close the light source is to it.
	Children will learn that there are three types of naturally occurring rock: igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. They will investigate the properties of different types of rocks and learn that soil is

	the uppermost layer of the earth. The children will move on to learning about fossilisation and how fossils are formed.
Physical Education	Hockey Year 3 will learn how to pass, receive and travel with the ball, as well as learning about tackling and penalty shuffles. They will develop their understanding of the principles of attacking and defending in invasion games. Children will have the opportunity to take part in individual, paired and small group activities to practise and improve their skills. are going to learn about the rules and skills of dodgeball. They will be working with Bishop Challoner to help Multi-skills Children will be use running, jumping, throwing and catching in isolation and in combination; develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.
Computing	Branching Databases Children will learn that branching databases classify groups of objects and can be referred to as a 'binary tree' or a 'key'. They will use each other's database to identify objects, such as fruits or vegetables, by using a series of simple questions and yes/no answers. Presenting Children will learn about the uses of PowerPoint and create a page in a presentation. They will add media and animations to their presentations and add timings. Children will develop their skills in designing to create an engaging presentation to share with others.
PSHE	The children will continue to follow the Ten: Ten PSHE and RSE programme of study. Our second module, Created to Love Others, builds on the understanding that we have been created out of love and for love. This module explores how we take this calling into our family, friendships and relationships, and teaches strategies for developing healthy relationships and keeping safe both online and in our daily lives. Emotional Well-Being sessions will help children to understand the difference between feelings and actions, how to manage them and what they can do to help themselves stay emotionally healthy. Children will be able to identify unacceptable behaviours and learn to build resilience against negative feelings by practising thankfulness.
History	During Spring 1, we will be answering the question: Were the Ancient Egyptians a great civilisation? The children will be finding out how and where the Ancient Egyptians lived and about their everyday lives. Key figures such as Tutankhamun will be studied and they will learn what mummification was and why it was used. The importance of hieroglyphics will be explored as well as some of the Gods they worshipped.
Geography	The children will be answering the question: Why do I need to know about Global Citizenship? The children will begin to gain an understanding of the 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development as well as learn about how fair trade can benefit economic growth. They will consider if giving aid it always the best solution to a problem and act upon a current issue such as the use of single use plastic.
Art and DT	Children will be learning about Sculpture and 3D. This unit focusses on teaching pupils how to transform 2D card shapes into three-dimensional structures and sculptures. Pupils explore abstract shapes and space, develop skills in constructing 3D objects, and understand the difference between 2D and 3D art.
Music	The children will listen to a range of music and talk about composers, their work and how a piece of music makes them feel. The children will listen to a piece of music each week and be given the context of the music, the composer, country and instruments used.
Spanish	The children will be learning how to talk about the weather in Spanish and will have conversations about visiting a coffee shop.