



St. Mary's Catholic

Primary School

Autumn Term 2023 curriculum information for parents.

Class: 3 Beech

Teacher: Miss Morbey

Welcome to Year 3. This term we will be learning about:

Mathematics

- **Place value:** identifying ones, tens and hundreds
- **Addition and subtraction:** mental addition and formal column method
- **Times tables:** practising 2s, 5s and 10s, and learning our 3s
- **Multiplication and division:** using grid method and bus stop method
- **Solving problems:** developing mental and written methods

English

- **Core texts this term:** The Lost Happy Endings and How Mountains are Formed
- **Talk for writing:** Children will use story maps to learn and internalise stories and non-fiction writing.
- **Grammar & Spelling:** Children will focus on using language to develop direct and indirect speech, persuasive language and text structure.
- **Genres of writing:** Journeys, explanations, meetings stories and non-chronological reports

Science

Rocks and Fossils:

- Comparing and grouping on the basis of their appearance and physical properties
- Describing in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped within rock.
- Recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter.

Home Learning

Each evening your child should read for at least **30 minutes**, and parents should sign the reading record.

Monday - Homework pack including Spellings, English and Maths. Spellings tests will always be on the Friday.

Monday and Friday - Book change

PHSE/RHE

RHE:

- We are made in the image of God
- Personal relationships

PSHE:

- Celebrating differences
- Mental health

You can help your child by ...

- Supporting your child in completing their home learning to a high standard and bringing it in on time.
- Labelling your child's clothes with your child's name so that property can be returned if lost.
- Providing your child with a clearly labelled water bottle.
- Developing learning of number-bonds, times-tables and telling the time in real life situations.

Please let Miss Morbey know if you need your child's log in details.

RE:

Beginning with the Church:

- Learning about the church and how it is the Body of Christ.
- We will also learn about Baptism and the Eucharist.

Advent to Christmas:

- The story of Jesus' birth.
- Children will link the coming of Jesus to the importance of prayer and almsgiving during Advent.

Judaism (1 Week in November)

History:

The Egyptians:

- We will explore life in Ancient Egypt, looking at how the Pyramids were built and the process of mummification.

Geography:

Climate Zones:

- We will identify the lines of latitude and locate different climate zones.
- Climate change
- We will also learn how to make a weather report.

Computing:

- We will discuss the importance of online safety.
- We will learn how search engines work and how to use them.

PE:

Gymnastics & Dance

Art:

- We will do some observational drawing focusing on techniques to convey texture and pattern.

Design & Technology:

To design a product and use dying and sewing techniques to create it.

Music:

Pulse and Voice

- Maintaining a steady pulse for ostinatos
- Whole class ostinato performance
- Listening to melodies and creating a graphic score to represent it.
- Following and leading simple performance directions

French:

French geography

My class objects.

In the classroom

where do you live?

Role plays & Christmas