



# St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School

Spring Term 2019 curriculum information for parents.

Classes: 4G, 4H and 4M

Teachers: Ms Mc Geoghegan, Mrs Horan and Ms Minnock

This term we will be learning about:

## Mathematics

In Mathematics this term we will be learning:

- Equivalent fractions
- The relationship between decimals and fractions
- Dividing digits by 10, 100 and 1000
- Solve measure and money problems involving fractions and decimals
- Adding and subtracting fractions
- Rounding decimals

## English

In English this term we will be learning:

- Science fiction and fantasy
- Discussion texts
- Poetic language and word play
- Explanation texts
- Verbs and adverbs
- Inverted commas
- Descriptive writing
- Conjunctions
- Time openers and fronted adverbials.

## Home learning

Each evening your child should read for at least 20 minutes, as well as practise their times tables each night. Home learning will be set regularly and a parental signature for each piece is required. Home learning is a vital tool for reinforcing learning and helping your child's progress. Reading records need to be completed daily.

## Science

Our topic for this term will be 'Circuits and Conductors' and 'Changing Sound.' Within these topics children will be learning about light sources, how shadows are made and changed. Children will investigate how electricity flows using circuits and will explore conductors and insulators. Also, pupils will explore sounds instruments make during this term.

## You can help your child by...

Ensure that your child is present and arrives on time for school each day to maximise their learning time.

Ensure your child completes their home learning to a high standard and hands it in on time. Help to accurately research and collect information linked to History, Geography and Science. Talking and discussing 'Big Writing' every week to support extended writing in class. Labelling your child's clothes so that property can be returned if lost. Help develop your child's problem solving skills by asking them questions related to real life situations, e.g. time, cost of shopping etc. Providing a bottle of water and a piece of fruit for your child each day.

Ensuring your child learns their spellings, reads and practices times tables weekly. Please use our website for links and sites which will support learning:

<http://www.stjosephsrc.co.uk/school>

[www.mymaths.com](http://www.mymaths.com)

[www.purplemash.com](http://www.purplemash.com)

## Other Subjects

**Religious Education:** Our topic for this term is 'Sacramental People.' We will be looking at the seven sacraments and explore the reasons why they are needed in our Faith.

**Computer Science:** Our first topic is 'We are Musicians.' We will be using software to make a presentation. We will compose a song using sound samples and share with an audience.

**History and Geography:** Our first topic is 'Village Settlers' where we will explore the lives of Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. Our second topic is 'Early Civilisations' where we will explore the first civilisations and writing systems.

**P.E:** Children will have opportunities to participate and practise football, gymnastics, athletics and Irish Dancing. 4H will be swimming this term.

**Music:** Children will be exploring a repertoire from the 'Ukelele Magic' book series. They will have opportunities to practise general musician skills and singing as part of a choir.

**French:** Children will be learning French vocabulary within the following themes: Francophone world, countries, nationalities, age, alphabet, weather, family and Easter.