



St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School

Spring Term 2019 curriculum information for parents.

Classes: 5M, 5H

Teachers: Ms. Hylton, Ms. McNamee

This term we will be learning about:

Mathematics

- Fractions
- Decimals
- Percentages
- Angles
- Multiplication
- Division
- Investigations
- Transformations

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

<http://uk.mathletics.com/>

English

- Fiction / Non-fiction Texts
- Conjunctions
- Openers for sentences – Adverbials
- Grammar/Spelling/Punctuation
- 'Talk for Writing' – planning composition
- Big Writing' sessions
- Planning skills
- Spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting
- Reading Comprehension skills
- Shared/Guided reading sessions

Home Learning

Each evening your child should read for at least 20 minutes and record this in their reading record. Home learning, both written and online, will be set regularly. This reinforces and develops learning that has taken place in class. Please sign your children's home learning tasks – only do so when you think it is of an acceptable standard.

Science

Earth and Space and Life Cycles. Pupils will learn about the planets and stars in the solar system. They will learn how the seasons are affected by the movement of the earth around the sun. In Life Cycles, Pupils will learn about reproduction in plants and animals. As Scientists, they will carry plan and conduct Investigations using various scientific skills.

You can help your child by...

Supporting your child in completing their home learning to a high standard and bringing it in on time.
Taking interest in their 20 mins of reading by listening to them and testing their comprehension.
Helping to research and collect information linked to History/Geography/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.
Providing your child with the necessary equipment for completing their learning tasks.
Providing a bottle of water and a piece of fruit for your child each day.
Ensuring your child learns spellings weekly.
Make use of the following websites this year for home learning.
<http://www.stjosephsrc.co.uk/school>
<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/stjosephnw10>
<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

Other Subjects

Religious Education

This term the children will be learning about 'Sacramental People and the Seven Sacraments' and 'Lent to Easter' by identifying sources of religious belief and explaining how beliefs arise.

Computer Science:

'We are Artists' – Children will be exploring the app *Inkscape* to create tessellations and artwork online.

We are Web Developers – Children will create and publish a website.

History/Geography:

'Who were the Ancient Greeks?' - Pupils will be studying aspects of the historical and cultural background of this civilisation, and its impact on the modern world, using a variety of sources. 'Investigating Rivers' - Pupils will study river formation and its effect on the environment and landscape using atlases and other sources. As well as researching a river of their choice in order to conduct an investigation.

Art and Design:

Greek Art: Pupils will revisit and develop their skills using line and shading to draw aspects of Greek lifestyle and patterns.

P.E:

Pupils of 5H will continue to develop their swimming skills and pupils in 5M will continue participating in Irish Dance lessons until half term and then swap activities. Pupils will also develop their skills in Outdoor Games (Cricket).

Music:

Pupils will explore musical compositions using a variety of instruments such as the ukulele, steel pans, keyboard and drums. They will also focus on performance and new repertoire and participate in choir practice.

French:

Developing conversational skills by asking and answering questions, Food, drinks, role play in a restaurant, Food shopping, sports and activities, healthy/unhealthy food, Expressions of quantity, Easter in France.